

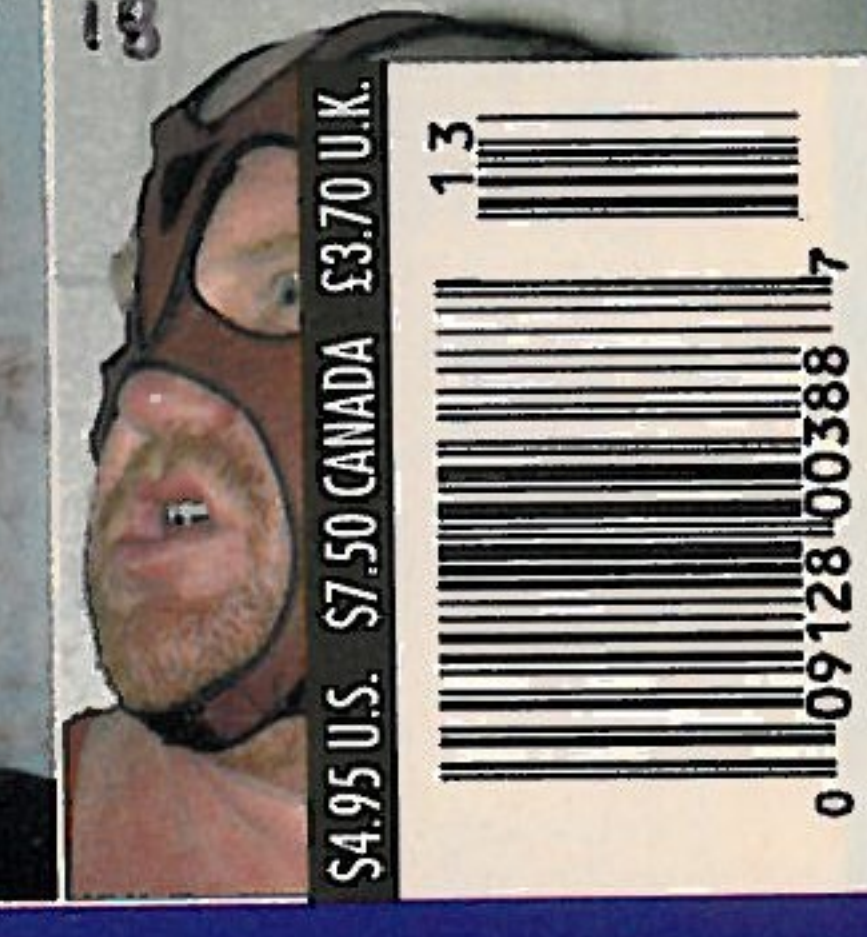
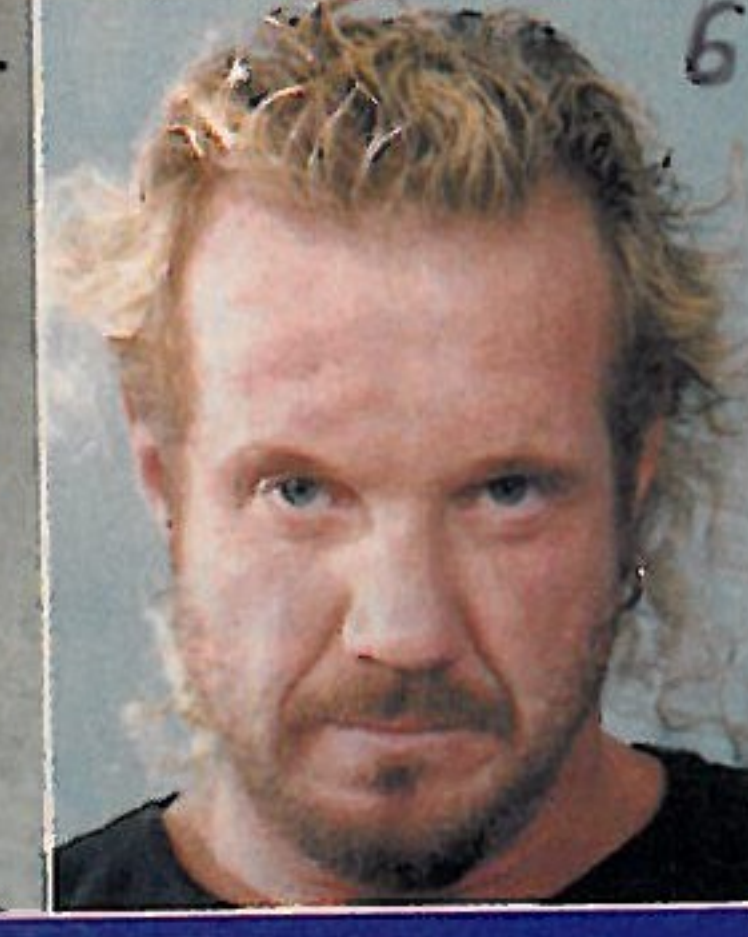
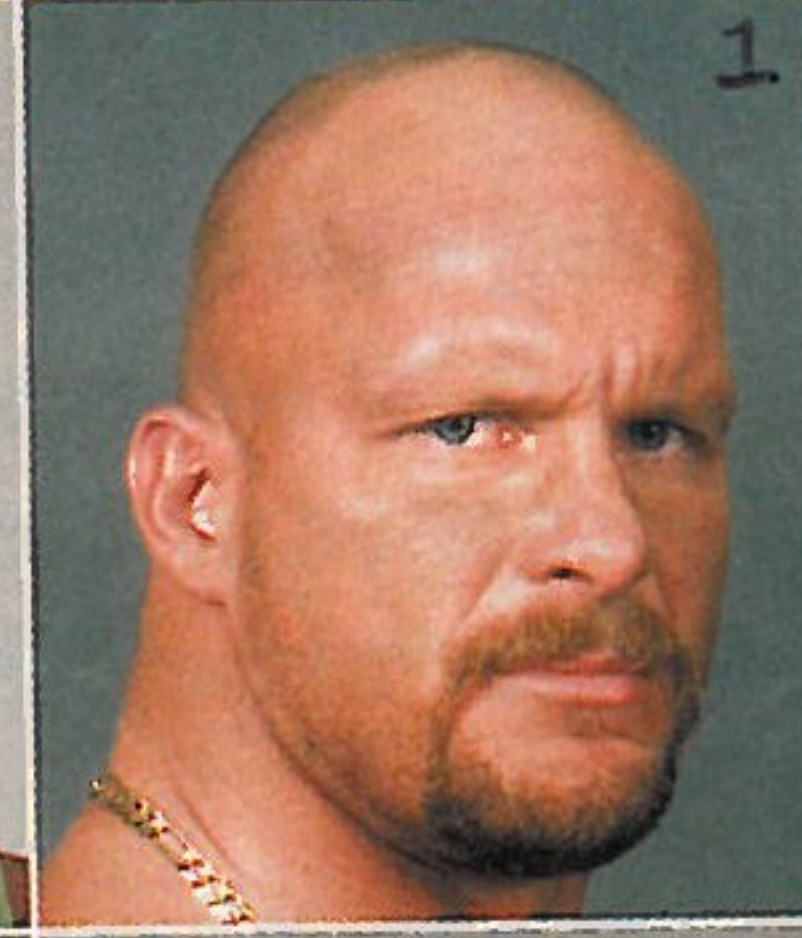
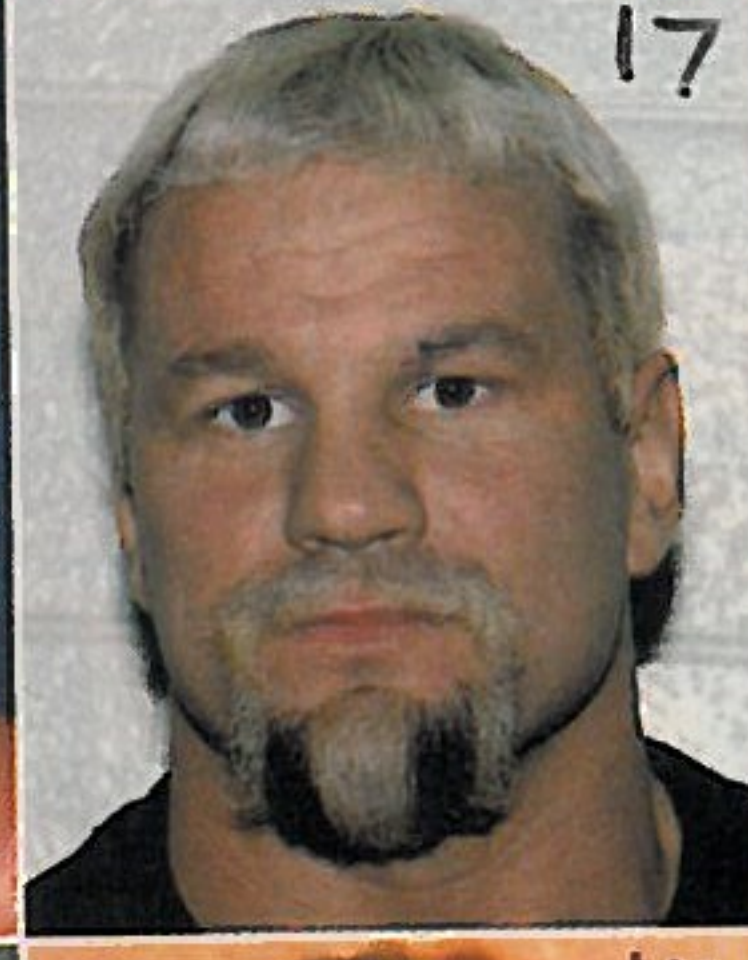
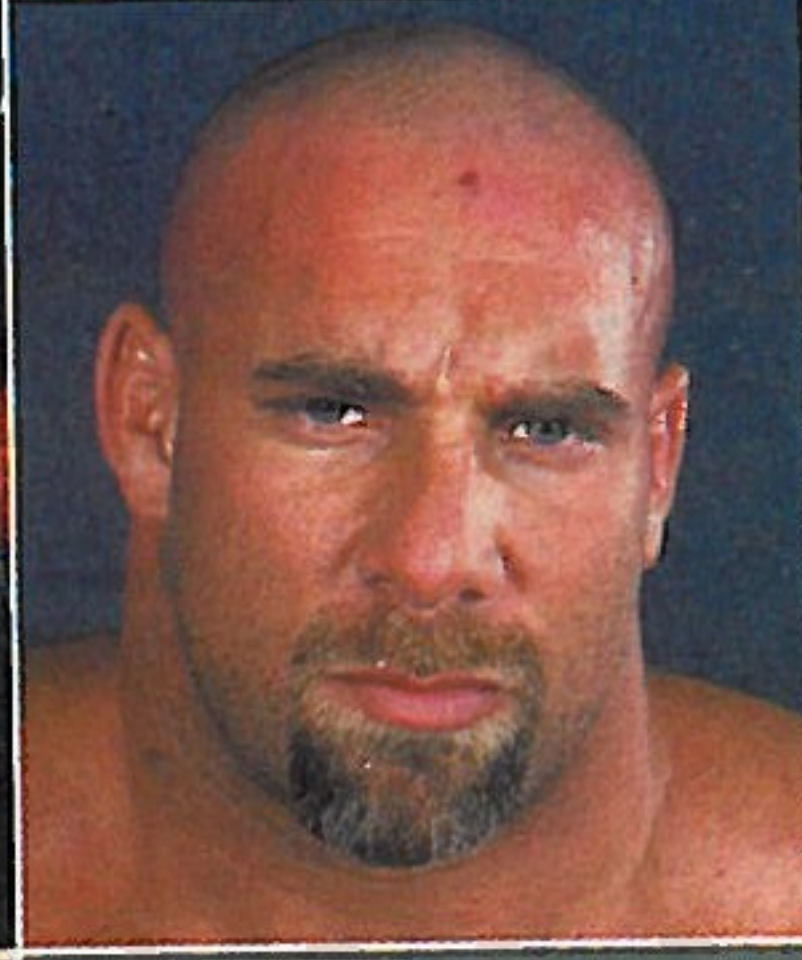
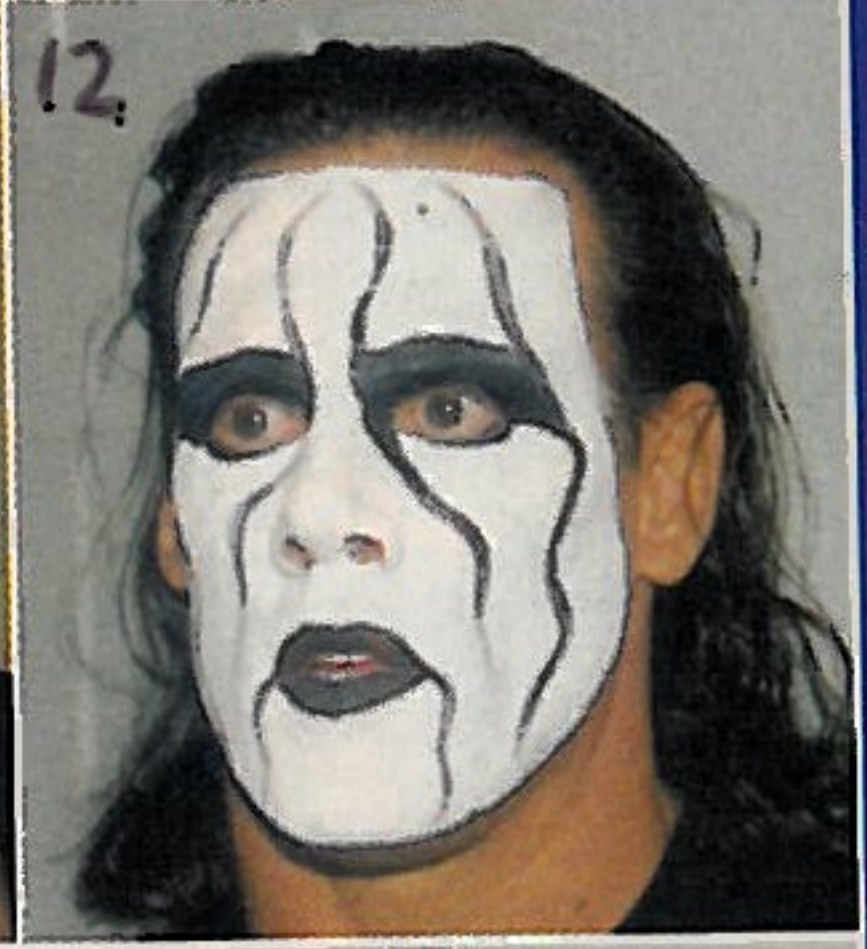
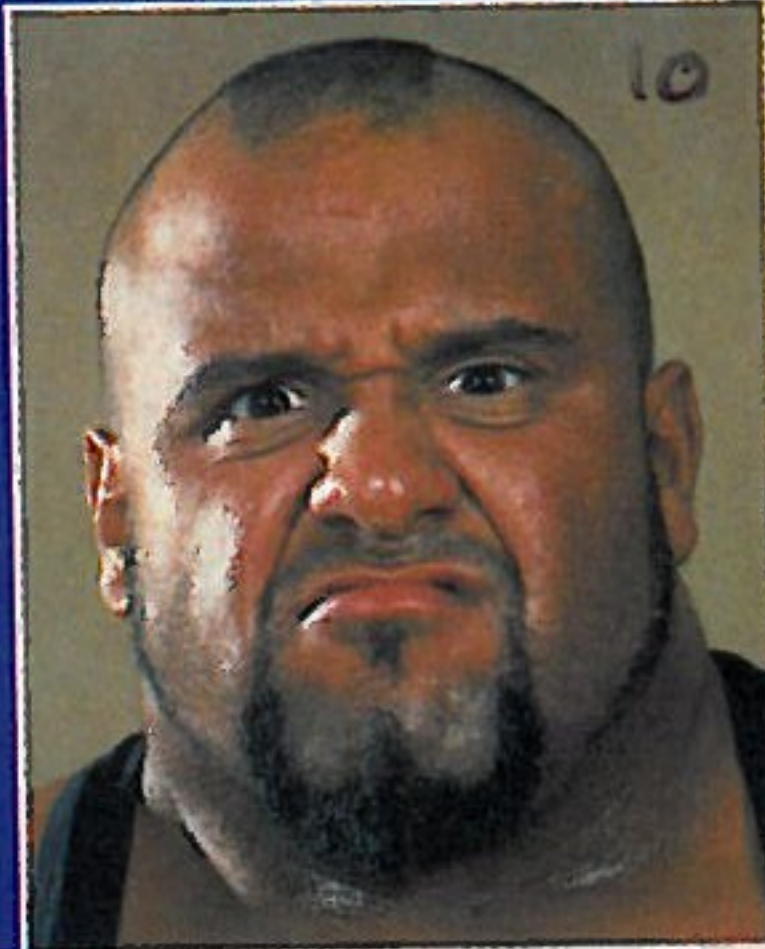
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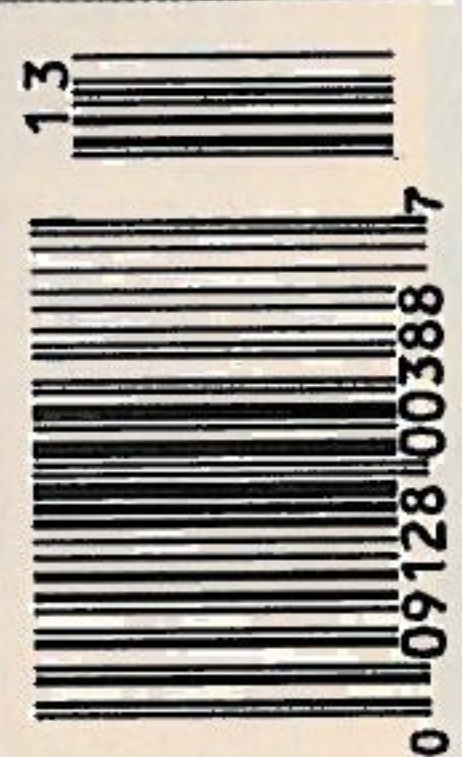
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PWI 500

WHILE THE "PWI 500" is officially compiled in August, we at the magazine talk about it all year long. Soon after the issue goes on sale, we are besieged by complaints from wrestlers and fans of wrestlers who just can't bring themselves to agree with every one of our selections. (Imagine that!)

Once the dust settles, it's time to start giving thought to the next year's list. It's never too early for one of the editors to pose this question to the rest: "If we were to do the '500' right now, who would you make number one?"

Some years, like 1997, there just isn't an answer. Through the course of this year, we had several. In our admittedly premature in-house polls, the names Bill Goldberg, Rey Misterio Jr., The Rock, Mitsuharu Misawa, and Rob Van Dam headed the pack at certain junctures. In the end, of course, it's a wrestler's performance over the entire year that determines these rankings. And Steve Austin became the second wrestler to earn the top spot for two consecutive years.

Bret Hart, the 1993 and 1994 winner, slipped to number four in 1995. Austin is determined to "three-peat." If he stays healthy, we wouldn't bet against him.

Remember, when going through the rankings, bear in mind the following:

- The rankings are based on performance from August 15, 1998, through August 15, 1999.

- By ranking a wrestler in a position above another wrestler, we are not saying that the higher-ranked wrestler is necessarily better or that he would beat the lower-ranked wrestler. Among the points taken into account are the wrestler's pound-for-pound abilities and how active he (or she) was for the year.

- Wrestlers are not ranked on their pure wrestling ability, though it is taken into consideration. Success in wrestling is measured by wins and losses, and if a wrestler can brawl his way to victory, that's fully acceptable. Winning with the aid of outside interference is not looked highly upon.

- In a departure from previous policy, if a wrestler is injured for a good portion of the year, rather than drop him to an inappropriate spot, he will be left out of the "500" and be listed in "Farewell To The 500" with a DL (disabled list) designation. Lex Luger, for example, had some major accomplishments over the course of the full year, but was out too long to be placed in a position a man of his stature would ordinarily be. He was dropped.

As always, we welcome your feedback on the "500." You can write to us or reach us at "PWI 500," P.O. Box 1148, Fort Washington, PA 19034. Or you can e-mail us at londonpub2@aol.com

[Editor's note: The numbers in parentheses following each name represent the wrestler's height, weight, years of pro experience, and rating in the 1998 "PWI 500." An "NL" means the wrestler was not listed a year ago. A complete list of wrestlers ranked in 1998 but not 1999, as well as an alphabetical cross-reference to the "PWI 500," follow this listing.]

STEVE AUSTIN

(6'2", 252, 10, 1)

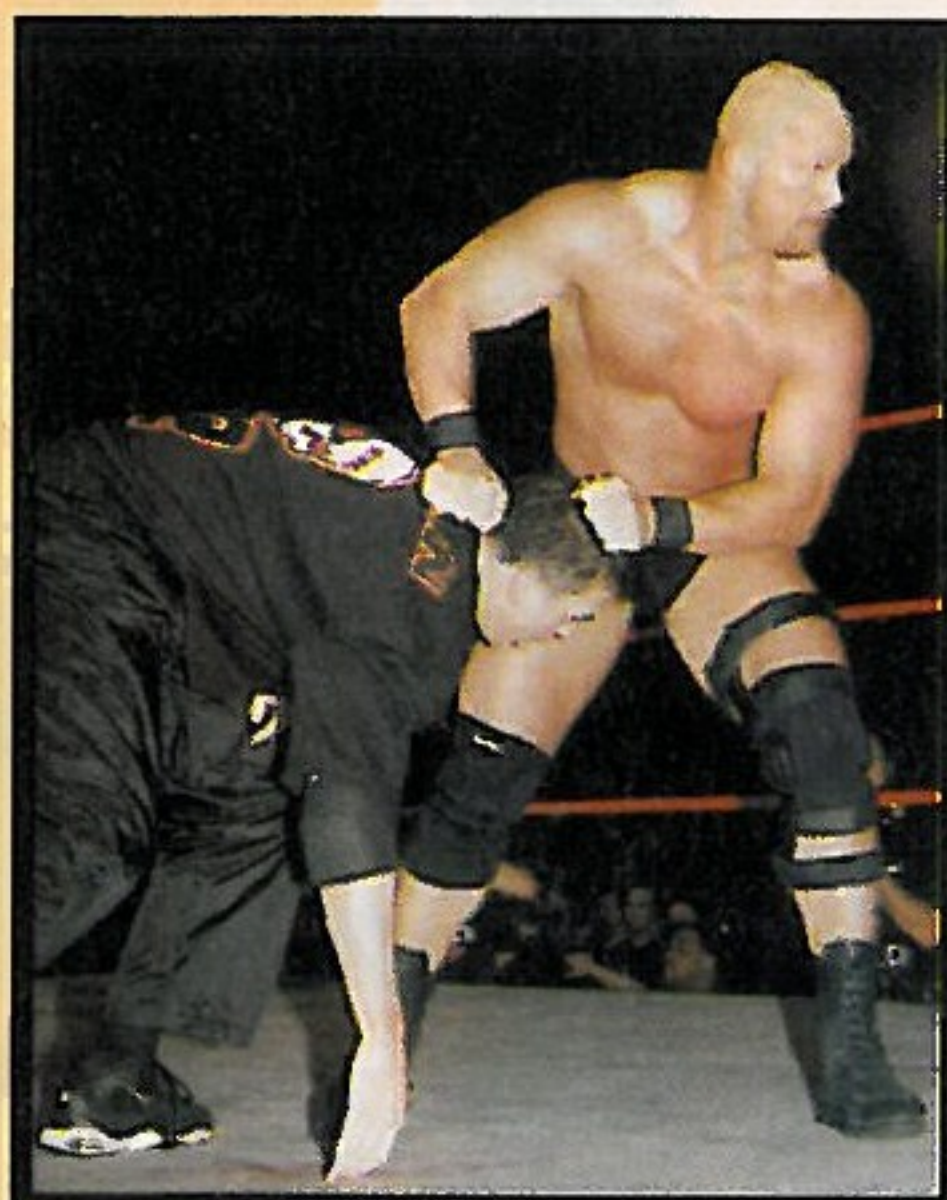
TOP FIVE MOMENTS OF THE YEAR:

1. Regained the WWF World title from The Rock at WrestleMania XV. 2. Defeated Vince McMahon at St. Valentine's Day Massacre to earn the World title match at WrestleMania XV. 3. Captured his fourth WWF World title by defeating

The Undertaker on June 28. 4. Defeated The Undertaker in a "Buried Alive" match at Rock Bottom to qualify for the Royal Rumble. 5. Defeated The Rock at Backlash to retain the WWF title with the supposed help of Vince McMahon.

HE SAID IT: "Looks like Steve Austin continues to defy the odds. I spent the better part of this past year fighting an S.O.B. by the name of Vince McMahon. What did it get me? A return to the top of the 'PWI 500' and two more WWF titles. I've been screwed over and over again. I spilled buckets of blood to get where I am today. The bottom line is that I'm a vindicated man. I'm standing on top of the mountain while Vince McMahon has been driven out of the WWF with his little tail between his legs. And that's all I got to say about that."

PATH TO THE TOP 10: 31st in 1991; 10th in 1992; 23rd in 1993; 6th in 1994; 43rd in 1995;



Austin manhandles Shane McMahon

22nd in 1996; 3rd in 1997; 1st in 1998

WHERE HE'S HEAD-ED: The past year for Steve Austin was another wild one. He had some wonderful moments and some terrible ones inside the ring. Vince and Shane McMahon concocted scheme after scheme to try to injure him, intimidate him, keep him away from the WWF title, and run him right out of the WWF. Every time

the McMahons and their hired guns seemed to grab the upper hand against "Stone-Cold," he found a new way to knock them down. The coming year could be a little less turbulent for Austin, as Vince McMahon is out of the picture (for now). That doesn't necessarily mean that Austin will have an easier road as champion. New challenges from Hunter Hearst Helmsley and The Big Show loom in his immediate future. And don't count out the McMahon influence just yet. Shane is still around ... and Vince could easily weasel his way back.

ROB VAN DAM

(6', 235, 9, 14)

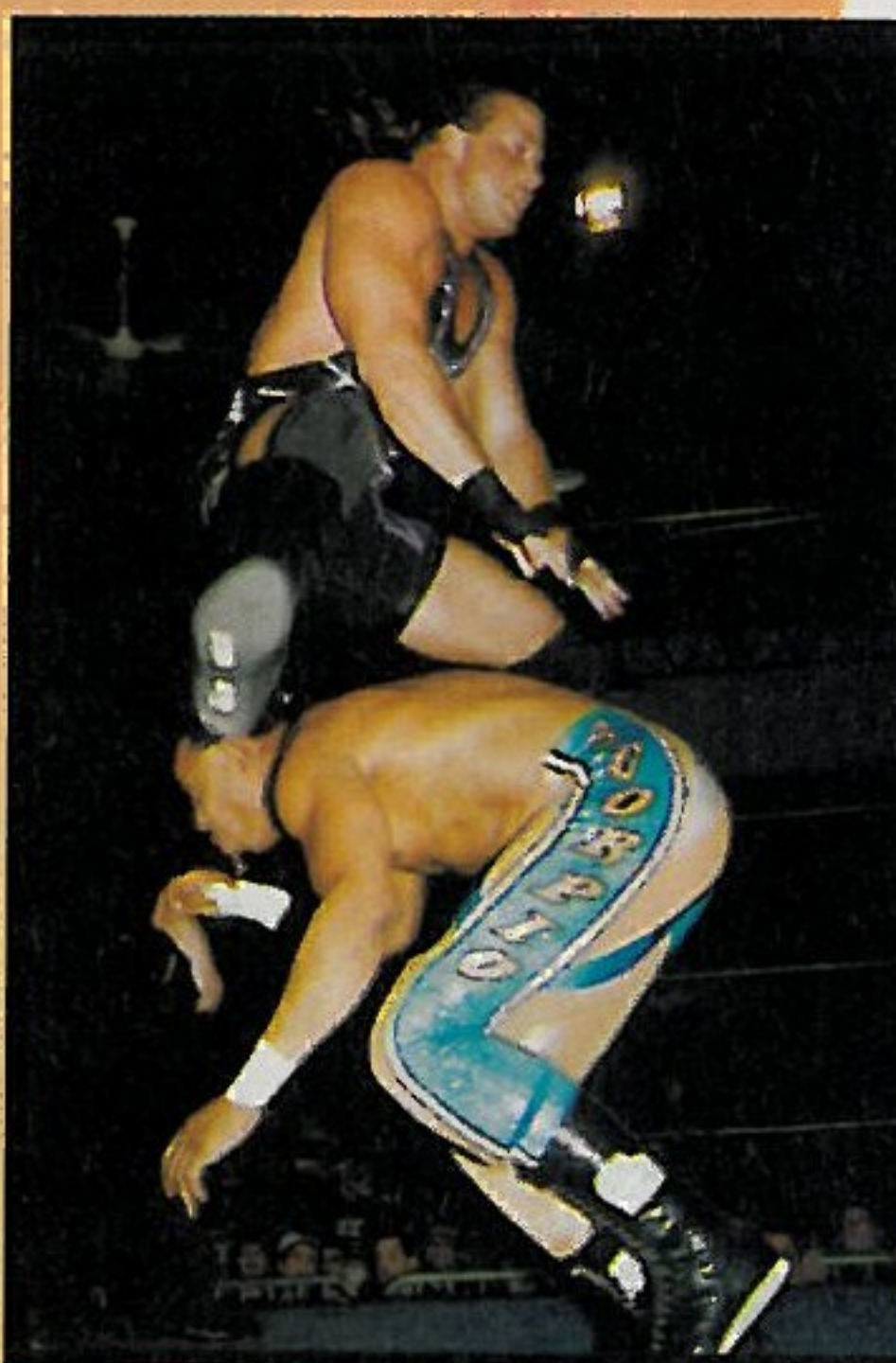
TOP FIVE MOMENTS OF THE YEAR:

1. Defeated Jerry Lynn in overtime at Living Dangerously to retain the ECW TV title. 2. Defeated Jerry Lynn in a hard-fought rematch at Hardcore Heaven. 3. Defeated Lance Storm at Guilty as Charged. 4. With Jerry Lynn, defeated Lance Storm and Justin Credible at HeatWave. 5. With Taz and Sabu, defeated Bam Bam Bigelow,

Chris Candido, and Shane Douglas at November to Remember.

HE SAID IT: "Finally, Rob Van Dam is being acknowledged for his talents. For so long, I have been overlooked by this publication. The only problem I have is that I'm not in my rightful place as number one. Look at what I have done: I have held the ECW World television title longer than anyone, not to mention I have been a titleholder longer than anyone in any promotion. I have defended that title against the best that ECW and, for that matter, the world of wrestling has to offer. 'Mr. Pay-Per-View' always comes out on top. This is only the first step to dominating ECW and the less-than-talented 499 wrestlers that are privileged to share this list with 'The Whole F'n Show!'"

PATH TO THE TOP 10: Unranked from 1991-94; 199th in 1995; 51st in 1996; 32nd in 1997; 14th in 1998



Van Dam soars above the competition

WHERE HE'S HEAD-

ED: At press time, Rob Van Dam was still the ECW TV champion, having won the belt way back on April 4, 1998. An impressive title reign, but Van Dam is probably starting to look for new challenges, namely the ECW World heavyweight belt. Look for him to step up his challenge to Taz for that championship. However, he must first get past his former tag team partner Sabu.

The two have had another falling-out, and their feud could occupy a great deal of Van Dam's time. A two-pronged attack by both Sabu and Jerry Lynn could easily bring to an end Van Dam's lengthy reign. Both men have given "Mr. PPV" anxious moments during matches with him. Oddly enough, Van Dam might benefit in the long run from a TV title loss. If he didn't have that belt to worry about, he might be more apt to pursue Taz.

MITSU HARU MISAWA

(6'1", 238, 19, 3)

TOP FIVE MOMENTS OF THE YEAR:

1. Won the All-Japan Triple Crown by pinning Vader on May 2. 2. Successfully defended the Triple Crown against Kenta Kobashi in his toughest match this year (June 11). 3. Named president of All-Japan Pro Wrestling after the death of Shohei Baba. 4. Pinned Toshiaki

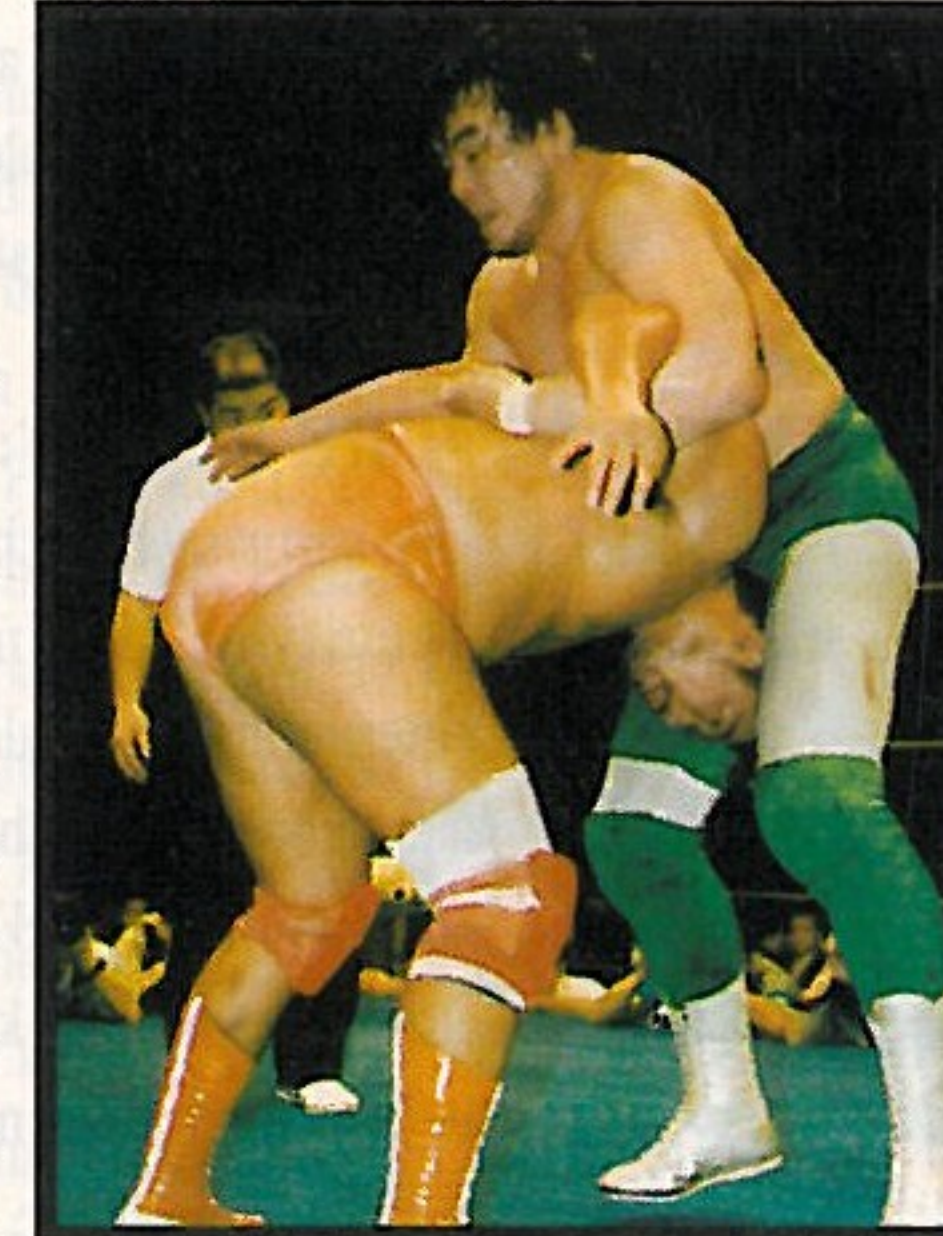


Kawada cleanly to retain the Triple Crown on July 23. 5. Took a huge step forward by being the first man in All-Japan to pin the red-hot Vader after his return to Japan.

HE SAID IT: "It is a great honor to once again be counted among the absolute best wrestlers in the world. I will not back down from any challenge to the Triple Crown, whether it comes from Japan or anywhere else in the world. I am prepared to test my heart and fighting spirit against the world's best fighters. It is my desire to show all fans of wrestling around the world that I am more than just an athlete from another country; I want them to see that I am among the elite in this sport."

PATH TO THE TOP 10: 187th in 1991; 205th in 1992; 92nd in 1993; 29th in 1994; 10th in 1995; 28th in 1996; 2nd in 1997; 3rd in 1998

WHERE HE'S HEADED: After years of



Misawa now controls All-Japan

being stifled by All-Japan's isolationist promotional policies, Misawa, the current president of the company, now has the power to open the door for himself. Interest in a interpromotional show involving All-Japan and New Japan is at a peak, and Misawa would like nothing better than to tackle some of New Japan's best, or even WCW's top talent.

In truth, not much remains for Misawa to do in All-Japan. He has established himself not only as the top star in the company, but also as the most dominant heavyweight wrestler in the country. In terms of consistency, longevity, and wins, no one in the world can be compared to Misawa. If he expects to rise to the top of the "500," however, he'll have to compete against more athletes from the U.S. With a technical repertoire unequaled by any other top star in the game, Misawa could find success anywhere he chooses to go.

REY MISTERIO JR.

(5'3", 140, 8, 107)

TOP FIVE MOMENTS OF THE YEAR:

1. With Billy Kidman, defeated Chris Benoit and Dean Malenko for the WCW World tag team title on March 29. 2. Defeated Billy Kidman for the WCW cruiserweight title on March 15. 3.

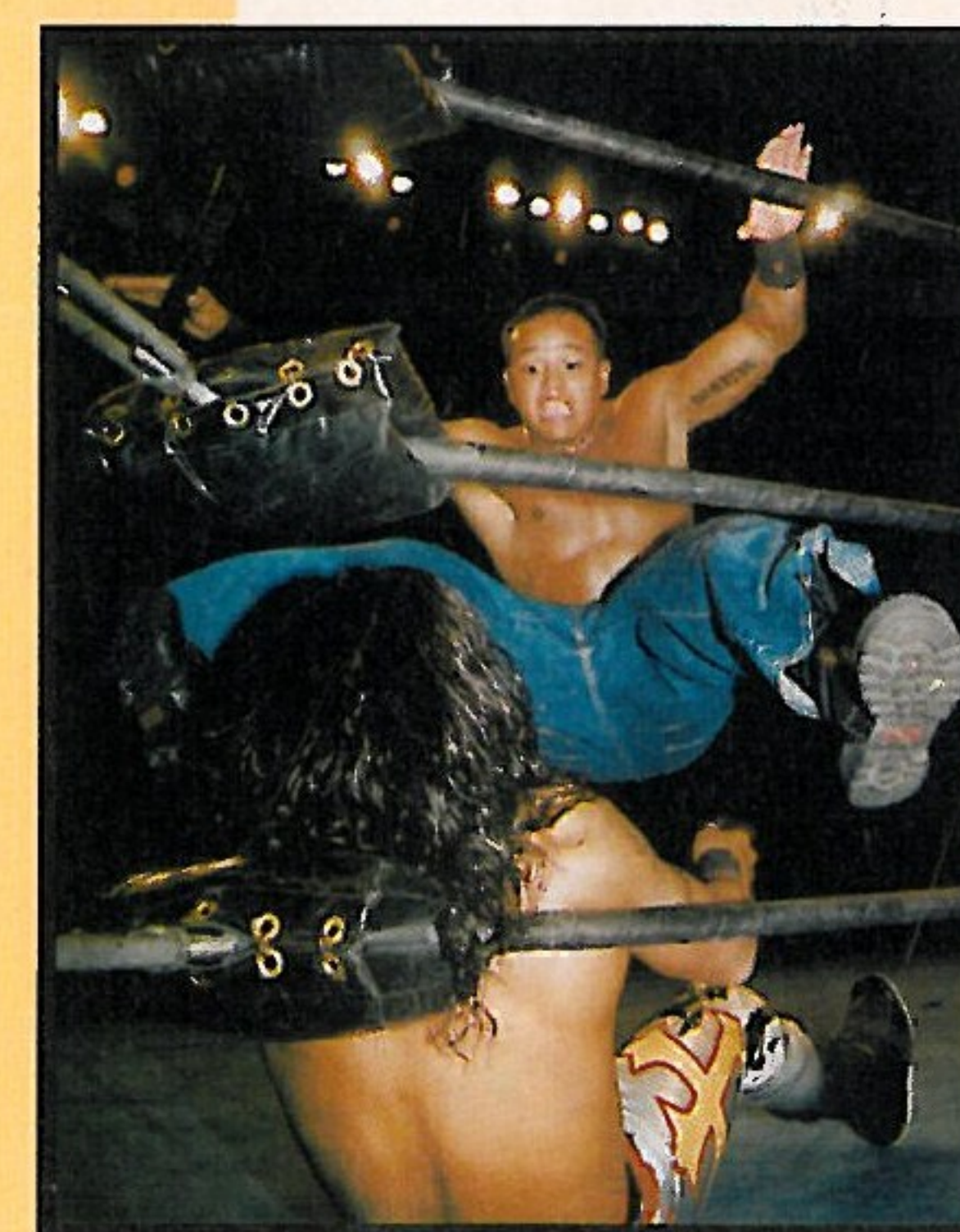


Defeated Psicosis for the cruiserweight title on April 26. 4. Cleanly pinned Kevin Nash one night after being forced to unmask at SuperBrawl. 5. With Swoll, won a rap vs. country elimination match at Bash at the Beach.

HE SAID IT: "It has certainly been a year of ups and downs. When I lost that match where I was forced to take off my mask, I thought my career would never be the same. Yet I've been able to turn that negative into a positive. I am the WCW cruiserweight champion again and I even won the World tag team title with Billy Kidman. Now, after three years, I'm back in the top 10 of the 'PWI 500.' All things happen for a reason, I guess. Without the mask, I am able to be myself. I'm no longer a man of mystery. I'm glad I still have my fans to support me. They have been there for me during the good and bad times."

PATH TO THE TOP 10: 101st in 1994; 18th in 1995; 7th in 1996; 29th in 1997; 107th in 1998

WHERE HE'S HEADED: Over the past year, Mysterio has proved two things. First, he can live and thrive without his mask. Second, he is more than just a great cruiserweight. He not only soundly defeated WCW super heavyweights like Bam Bam Bigelow, Scott Norton, and Kevin



Ray crash-lands on Juventud Guerrera

Nash, but also had Ric Flair beaten for the World title before Flair was disqualified, and he paired up with another cruiserweight, Billy Kidman, and won the WCW World tag team title. As he comes closer to completing his first decade in professional wrestling, Mysterio continues to mature and grow as a wrestler. We suspect he'll continue to show he can compete with the best heavyweights in the sport.

THE ROCK

(6'4", 272, 4, 11)

TOP FIVE MOMENTS OF THE YEAR:

1. Defeated Mankind in a Survivor Series tournament to win his first WWF World title. 2. Won his second WWF World title when he defeated Mankind at the Royal Rumble. 3. Defeated Mankind for his third WWF World title on February 15. 4. Retained the WWF World title by beating Mankind at a pay-per-view named after him (Rock Bottom). 5.



Defeated Mankind and Ken Shamrock in a triple threat steel cage match at Break Down.

HE SAID IT: "Is it any surprise that the most electrifying man in sports entertainment would make a meteoric rise to the upper echelon of the 'PWI 500'? But make no mistake about it, The Rock does not need a ranking on some jabroni list to tell him how great 'The Great One' truly is. The Rock has taken the best that the WWF has to offer and has sent them all packing. A year ago, The Rock was a leader of a great wrestling group, and now The Rock is a three-time WWF champion. The momentum scares even The Rock and the millions ... and millions of The Rock's fans. Expect more of the same ... if you smell what The Rock is cookin'."



The Rock lays the smack down on The Undertaker

PATH TO THE TOP 10: 167th in 1996; 103rd in 1997; 11th in 1998

WHERE HE'S HEAD-ED: Considering The Rock entered the WWF as a fan favorite who heard more boos than cheers, the fact that he has become a three-time World champion in a little more than two years is stunning. Now the expectations for The Rock are higher. He has struggled as of late in key pay-per-view matches that could have earned him more World title matches. Now he is embroiled in feuds with Billy Gunn and Chris Jericho. The

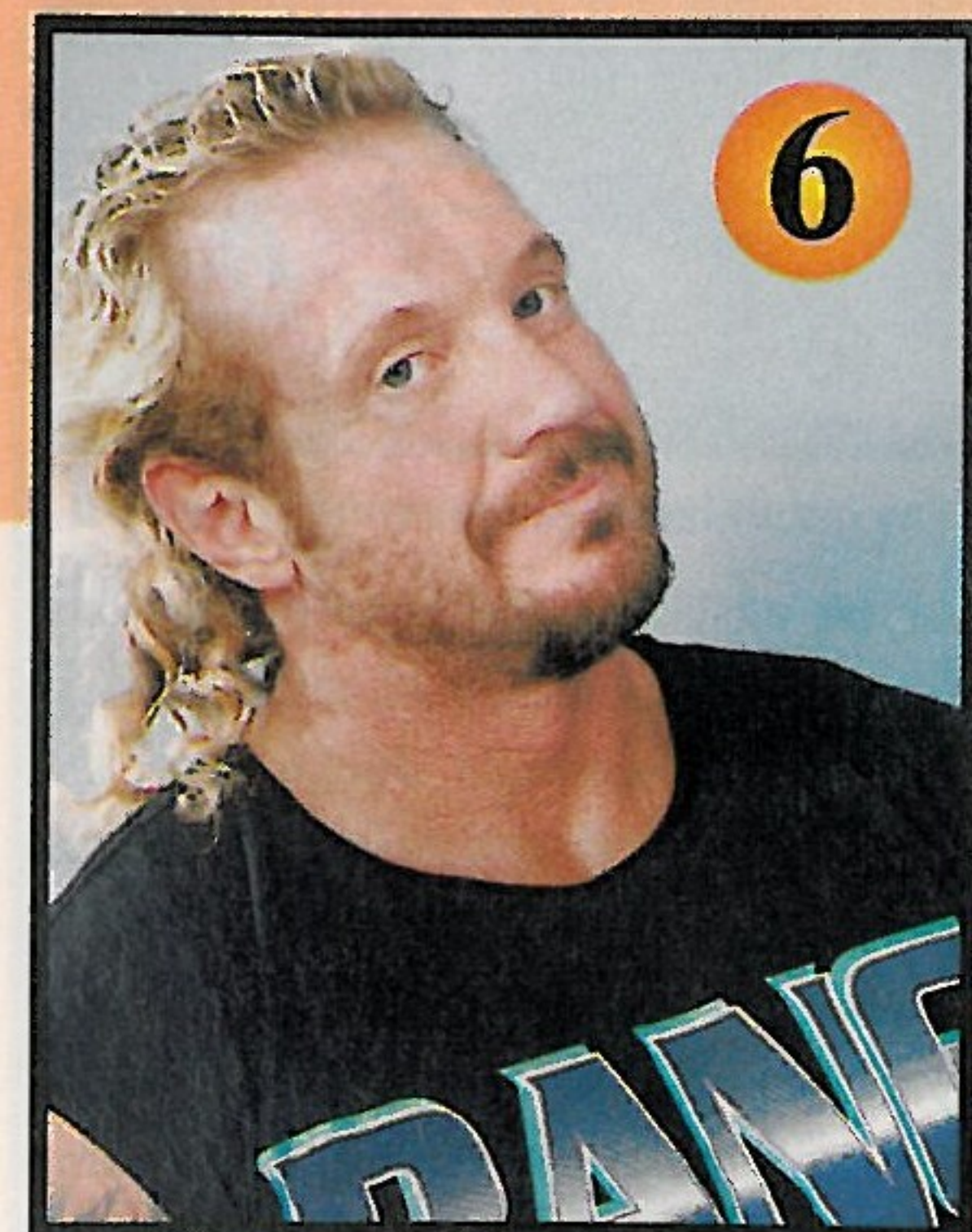
Rock needs to focus on getting the top contender spot for the WWF World title even if he has to face the equally popular Steve Austin and loses a few fans in the process. Rock has proven in the past that he can win the big ones, but it wouldn't hurt him to refresh our memories.

DALLAS PAGE

(6'5", 260, 8, 4)

TOP FIVE MOMENTS OF THE YEAR:

1. Defeated Ric Flair, Hollywood Hogan, and Sting in a four-way match for the WCW World title on April 11. 2. Won his second WCW World title when he defeated Sting on



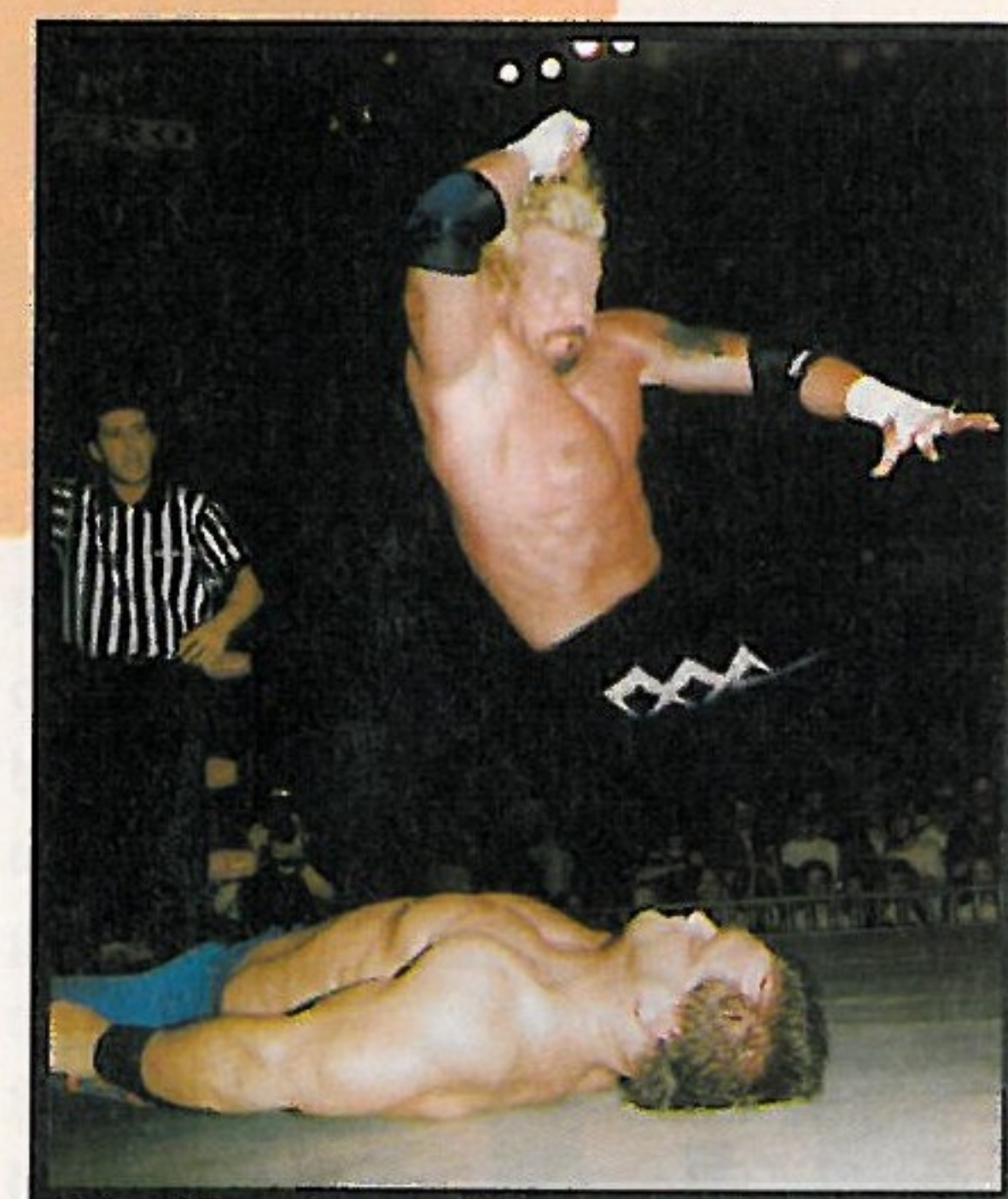
April 26. 3. With Canyon, defeated Perry Saturn and Chris Benoit for the WCW World tag team title at The Great American Bash. 4. Won "War Games" by pinning Stevie Ray. 5. With his Triad teammates, Canyon and Bam Bam Bigelow, defeated Saturn and Benoit at Bash at the Beach.

HE SAID IT: "Frankly, I'm insulted. At first, I was honored to be in the top 10 of the 'PWI 500.' Last year, I stayed in the same spot and, while I wasn't crazy about that, I stayed quiet. Now I come in as a two-time World heavyweight champion and I go down two spots. What's up with that? I am a reigning World tag team champion, but I guess that means squat when you don't play to those idiot fans. Make no mistake about it: DDP, Bam Bam, and Canyon are not stopping at the tag straps. I won the World title before, and I will win it again. The Triad has only started its takeover of WCW. This list could be next."

PATH TO THE TOP 10: Unranked from 1991-93; 270th in 1994; 11th in 1995; 54th in 1996; 4th in 1997; 4th in 1998

WHERE HE'S HEADED: He did it twice before, but can he do it again? Page's hard work

over the past year earned him a pair of WCW World heavyweight titles and one WCW World tag team title with The Triad. But with his focus on the WCW tag team division, can Page work his way back into contention for that World title? Does he even want to at this point? He seems content to be part of The Triad and to be pursuing Chris Benoit's U.S. title. He remains in the spotlight. Whether he'll continue to share it with Canyon and Bigelow is anyone's guess.



DDP was a smash against Benoit

KEIJI MUTO

(6'1", 245, 15, 58)

TOP FIVE MOMENTS OF THE YEAR:

1. Won the IWGP heavyweight title from Scott Norton on January 4. 2. Accepted the challenge of Atsushi Onita to appear in an exploding barbed-wire death match. 3. Successfully defended the IWGP title against martial artist Don Frye in one of his toughest bouts. 4. Defied tradition and inter-company politics by declaring his desire to face All-Japan Triple Crown champ Mitsuharu Misawa

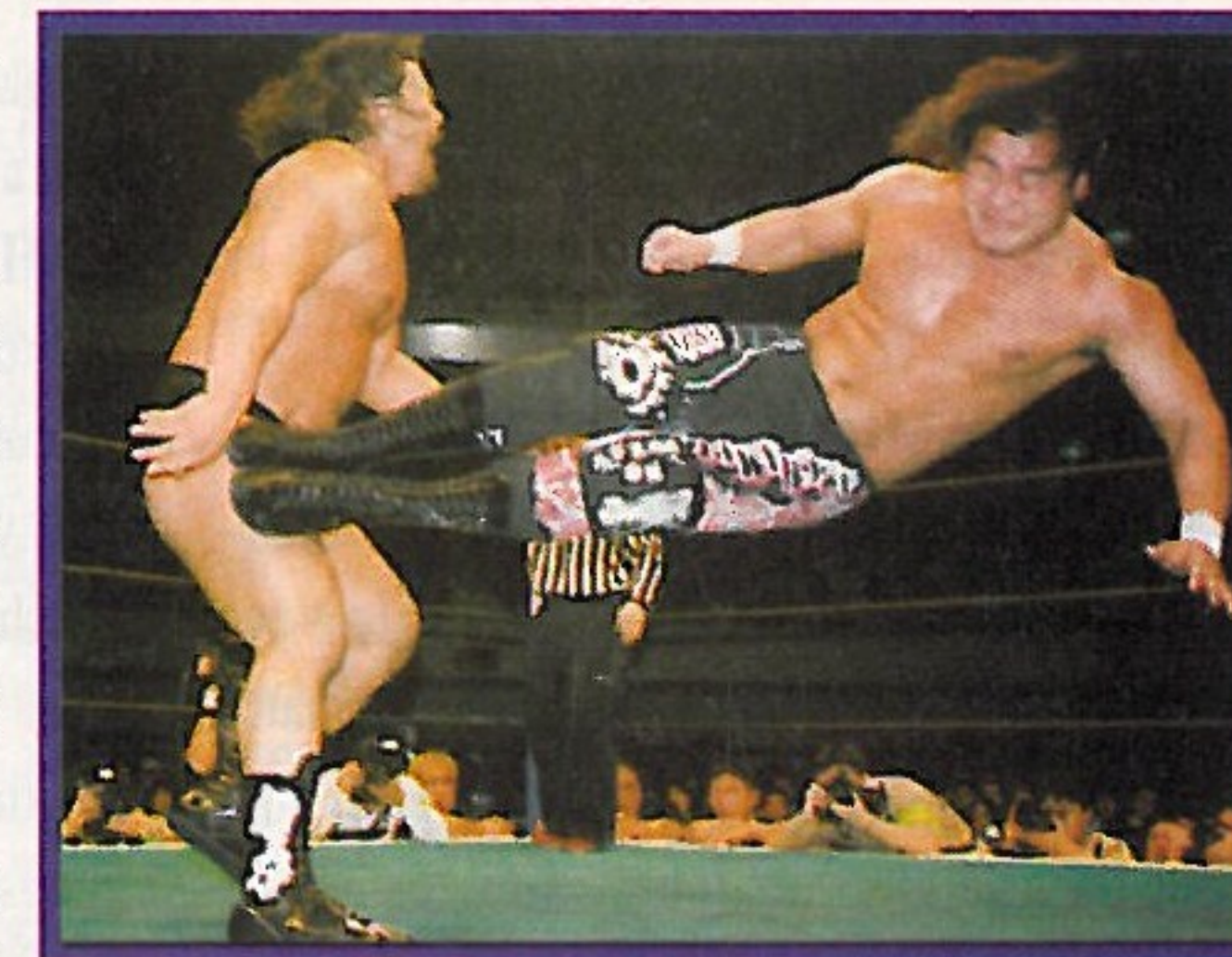


in a singles match. 5. Retained the IWGP title by beating Satoshi Kojima on July 21.

HE SAID IT: "At last I have returned to a position of prominence in this ranking. I am grateful that the staff of PRO WRESTLING ILLUSTRATED has chosen to honor my competitive spirit and hard work once again. I have spent the past year showing the world what I am capable of when I am unencumbered by the NWO or any other group. While I feel that my double knee surgery was at first a setback, I now know that it was simply one more hurdle in my path to becoming one of the top athletes in the world. I am ready for all challenges, and I welcome them, wherever they may come from."

PATH TO THE TOP 10: 20th in 1991; 25th in 1992; 19th in 1993; 15th in 1994; 13th in 1995; 32nd in 1996; 37th in 1997; 58th in 1998

WHERE HE'S HEADED: Muto may soon be facing the biggest match in international wrestling history, as he continues to lobby for cooperation between his base company, New Japan, and its chief rival, All-Japan. He has stated openly and repeatedly his desire to face Mitsuharu



Muto's back on top in New Japan

Misawa, which would be the equivalent of an Austin vs. Goldberg match here in the United States. A victory in a match such as that could establish him as the top Japanese wrestler. Other than that, Muto's probably not going anywhere outside of New Japan, where a plethora of challengers are awaiting a shot at his IWGP title. With his reconstructed knees, and his separation from Masa Chono and his cronies, Muto has plenty to prove if he wants to remain on top. The next year may be filled with cross-promotional bouts and extreme death matches for Muto, but these are challenges he'll be facing alone.

THE UNDERTAKER

(6'9", 328, 11, 5)

TOP FIVE MOMENTS OF THE YEAR:

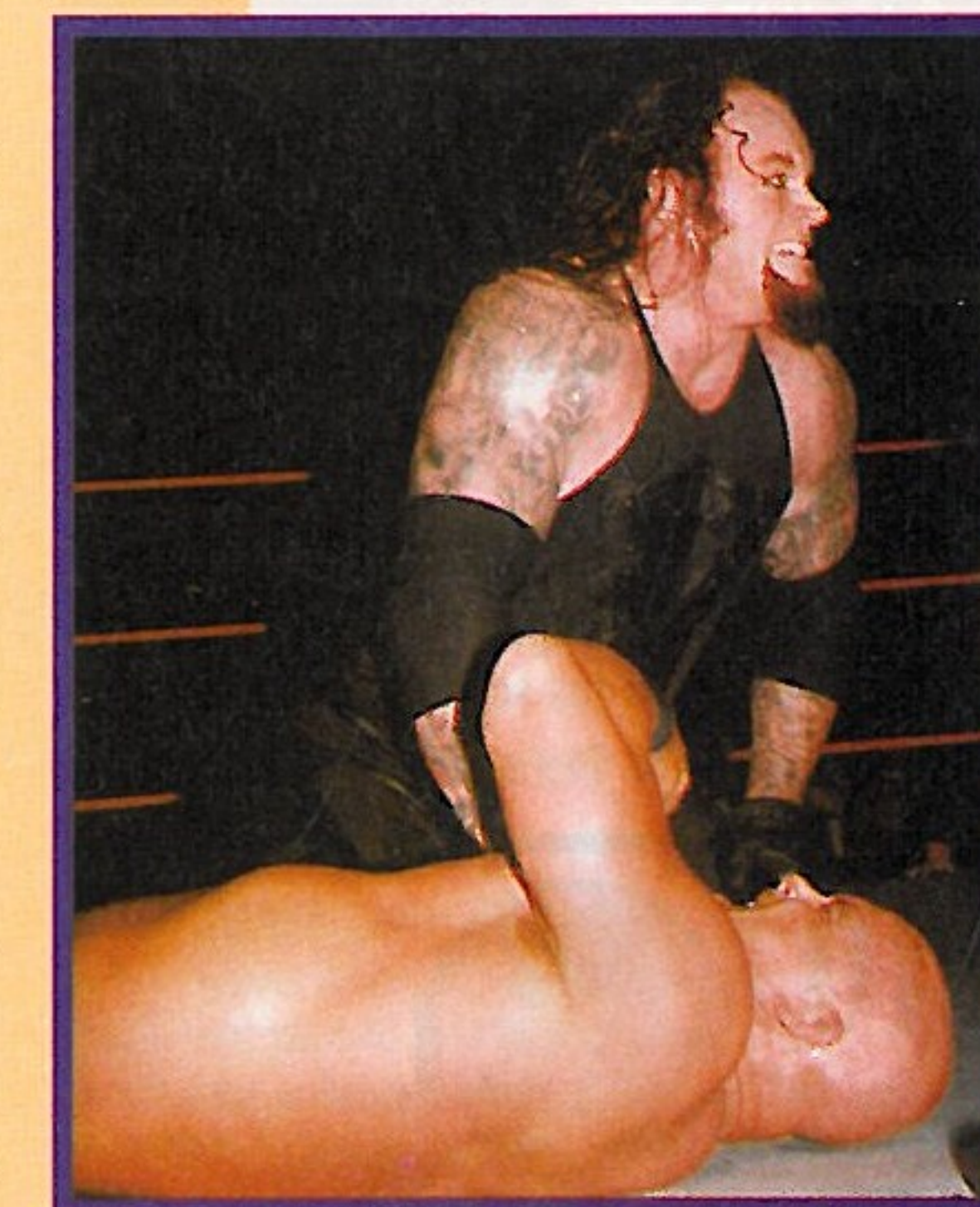
1. Defeated Steve Austin for the WWF World title at Over the Edge. 2. Defeated The Rock at King of the Ring to retain the WWF World title. 3. With help from Kane in a triple threat WWF title match, defeated Steve Austin at Break Down. 4. Defeated Big Bossman in a

WrestleMania XV "Hell In A Cell" match. 5. Defeated his half-brother, Kane, in the quarterfinals of the WWF title tournament at Survivor Series.

HE SAID IT: "This will go down as the year of The Corporate Ministry. So many skeptics doubted the power of The Undertaker, but not only did I defeat Steve Austin and rip the WWF World title from his hands on more than one occasion, I also took over the entire WWF. Vince McMahon can call himself 'The Greater Power' if he chooses, but he knows in his black heart that he remained in the shadow of my ultimate power. He is out of the picture, and that makes me now the most powerful man in the WWF. But I have some family business to take care of before my Ministry can rise again."

PATH TO THE TOP 10: Unranked in 1991; 21st in 1992; 46th in 1993; 23rd in 1994; 14th in 1995; 19th in 1996; 6th in 1997; 5th in 1998

WHERE HE'S HEADED: The Undertaker has had a tremendous run in the WWF during the 1990s, and he'll likely stay near the top of the federation's rankings for at least a few more years. He spent a portion of the past year feud-



The Undertaker chokes Steve Austin

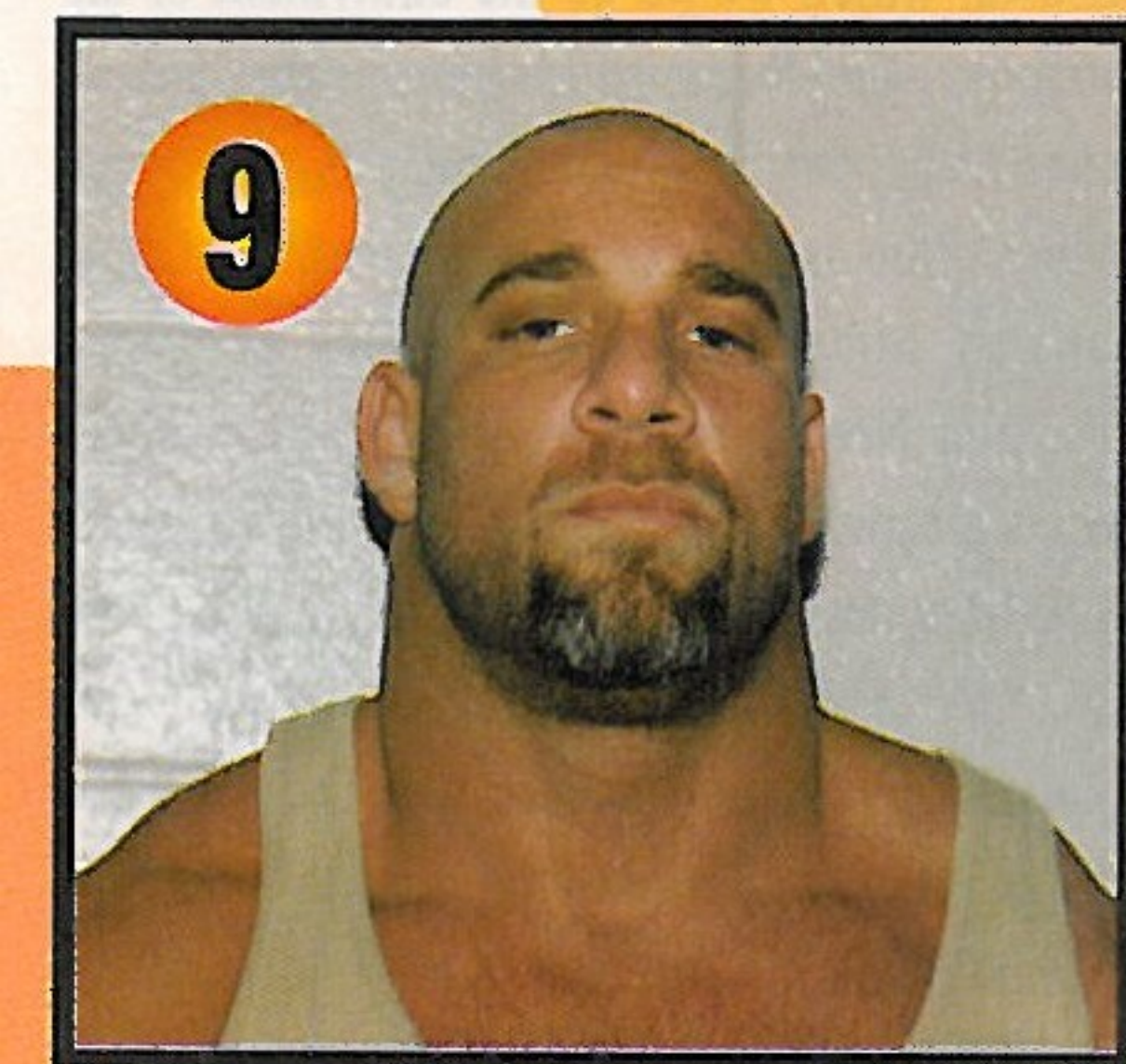
ing with Vince McMahon, only to reveal later that he and McMahon had been working together all along. Now Undertaker has a strong new ally in the form of The Big Show, and he's once again feuding with his half-brother, Kane. He remains a threat to any title in the WWF and could very well return to the top of the mountain by this time next year. Chances are he will become even more evil in the next 12 months.

BILL GOLDBERG

(6'3", 285, 2, 2)

TOP FIVE MOMENTS OF THE YEAR:

1. Retained the WCW World title by defeating "Diamond" Dallas Page at Halloween Havoc. 2. Defeated Kevin Nash in their rematch at Spring Stampede. 3. Beat Scott Hall in a "taser on a ladder" match at Souled Out. 4. Defeated Curt Hennig in his first match on *Nitro* (July 26) since he injured his knee against Sting

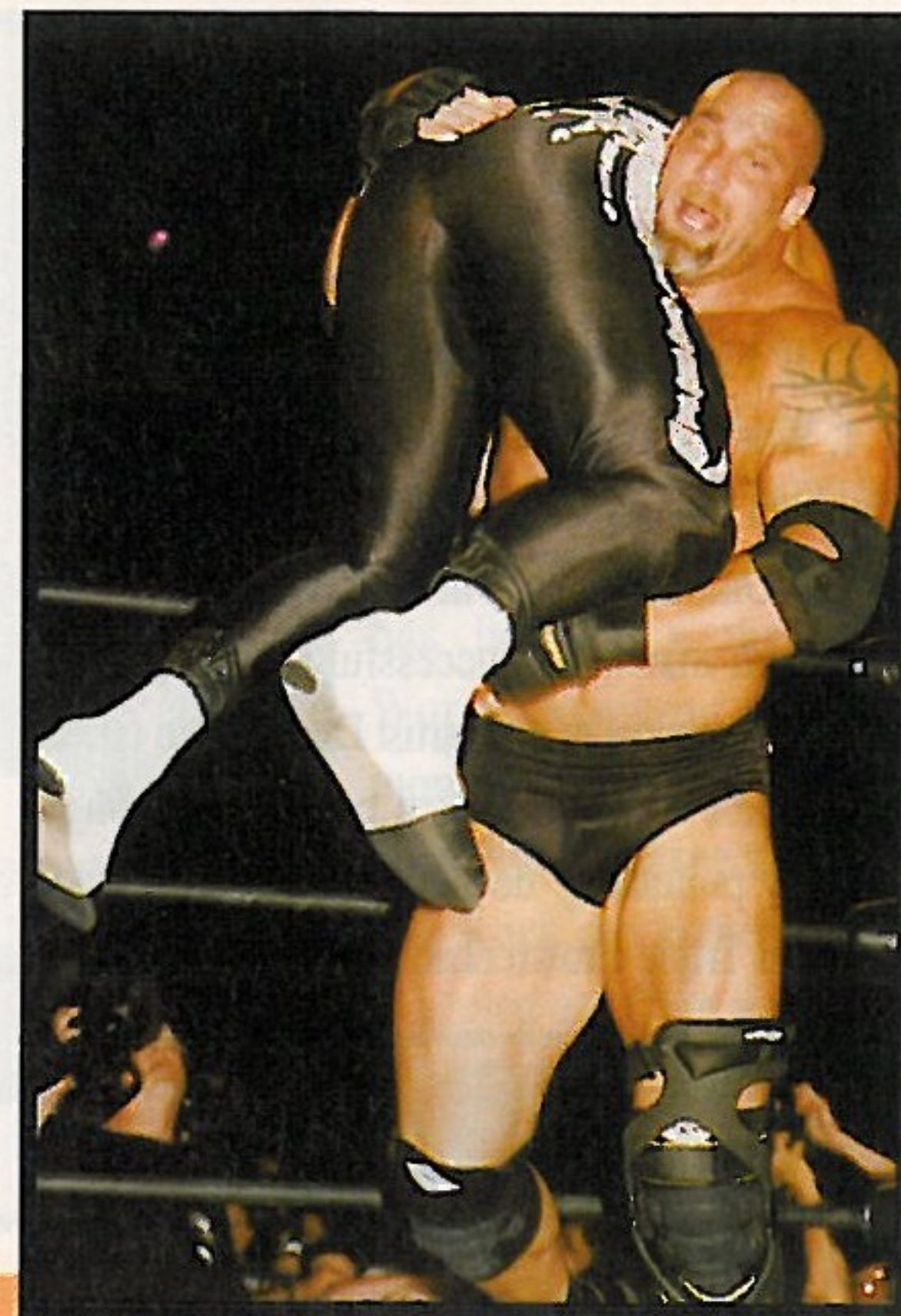


at Slamboree. 5. Defeated Sting by disqualification at Slamboree.

HE SAID IT: "I'm honored just to stay in the top 10 of the 'PWI 500.' Last year was so unbelievable. In fact, at times it got too crazy. This year, a lot of people said I couldn't possibly match that manic success that I had in my rookie year. When Kevin Nash beat me at Starrcade in my first defeat, I knew I had to do one of two things: I could either let it get to me, or I could shake it off, chalk it up to experience, and move on. That's what I chose to do. That's what I was taught to do. My time off from WCW has recharged me, and I'm now on a quest to win back the World title. I'll never be called unbeaten again, but I will be called champion again."

PATH TO THE TOP 10: 2nd in 1998

WHERE HE'S HEADED: Goldberg's biggest test did not come during his World title reign or during his undefeated streak. It was that fateful night at Starrcade '98, when he suffered the first loss of his pro career and lost the belt. He passed the test by resuming his winning ways and defeating Nash in a rematch. Having recently returned from a knee injury, Goldberg



Goldberg's on his way to another victory

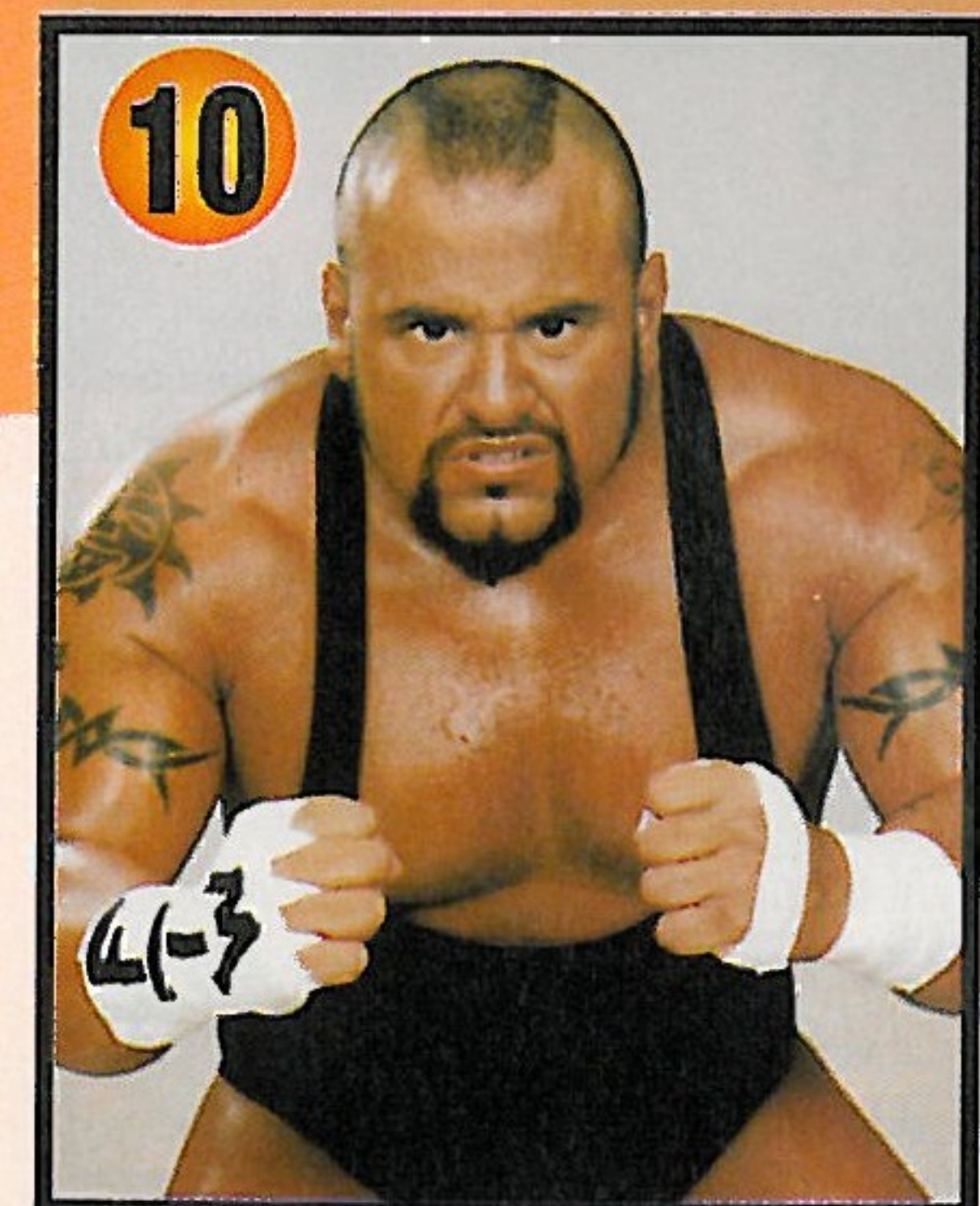
appears to be ready to climb back to the top in WCW. He is on a path that could very well lead him back to the World title. If he does get that World title back, don't be surprised if he enjoys another long reign ... or if he claims the number-one spot in next year's "500."

TAZ

(5'9", 248, 12, 36)

TOP FIVE MOMENTS OF THE YEAR:

1. Defeated Shane Douglas for the ECW title at Guilty as Charged. 2. Defeated Sabu to retain the title at Living Dangerously. 3. Pinned Buh Buh Ray Dudley in his second title defense at Hardcore Heaven. 4. Defeated Chris Candido in



one minute in the opening bout at Hardcore Heaven. 5. Destroyed Yoshihiro Tajiri (along with Steve Corino, Rhino Richards, and Jack Victory) at HeatWave.

HE SAID IT: "All I can say is that it's about time I got the recognition I deserve. I busted my butt for how many years in ECW while others got the title shots and the accolades. I finally had to demand my shot at the title. Shane Douglas was a worthy champion, but I was that much better than him. ECW is now on the verge of national prominence, and I intend to guide this ship. No one will knock me off this perch, but I welcome them to try. I'll be the most dominant world heavyweight champion not just in ECW, but in the entire world. Let the others come and try to prove me wrong."

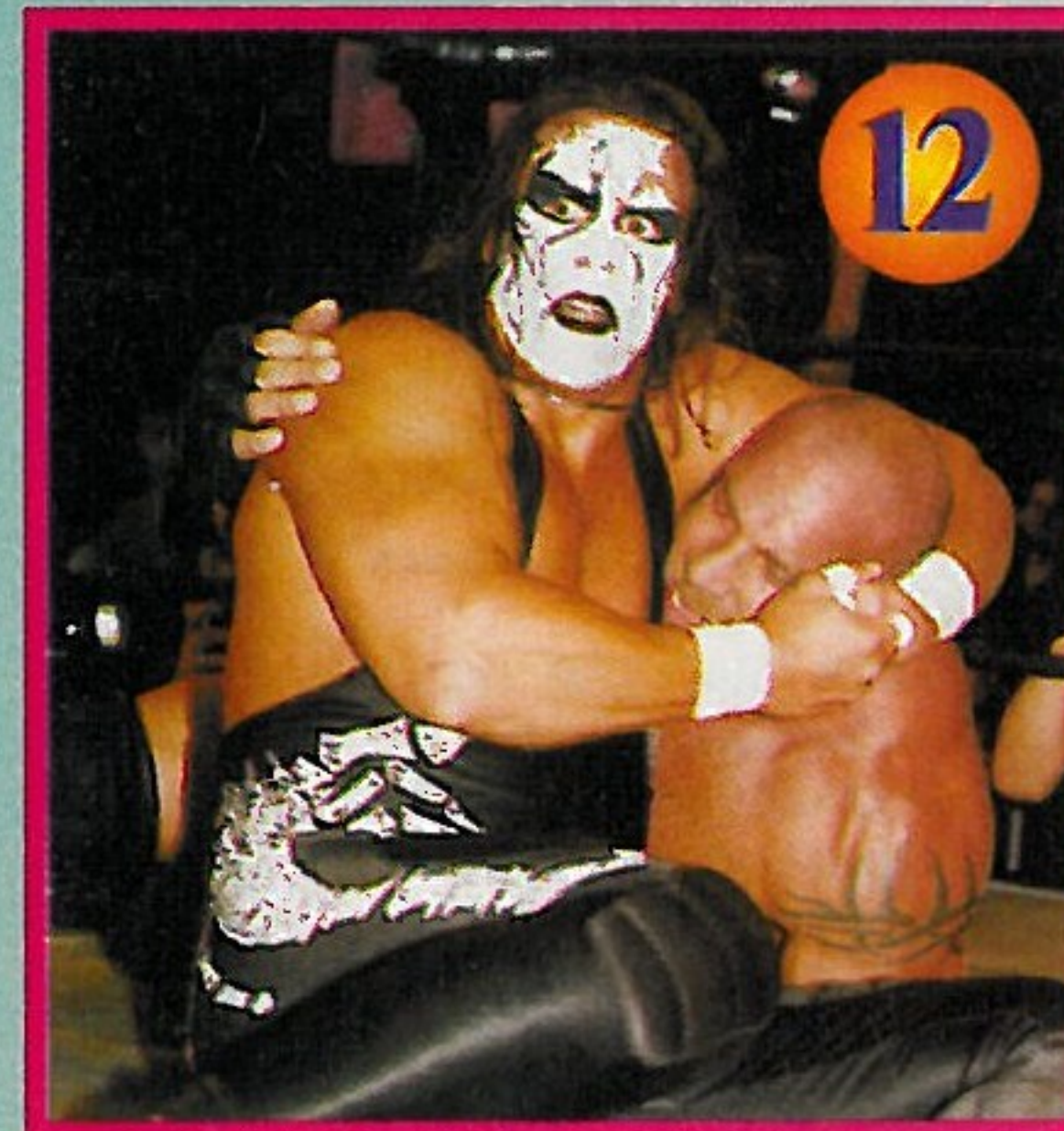
PATH TO THE TOP 10: 267th in 1991; 207th in 1992; 128th in 1993; 107th in 1994; 53rd in 1995; 46th in 1996; 11th in 1997; 36th in 1998

WHERE HE'S HEADED: ECW's contract with The Nashville Network has made the promotion a legitimate national force. As ECW World champion, Taz has the responsibility of leading ECW into this new era. His challenge as

champion will be to bring the promotion to the forefront, while maintaining his concentration of defending the belt. With continuing threats coming from Yoshihiro Tajiri and an upcoming clash with Rob Van Dam expected, Taz has a full agenda for this upcoming year. Expect him to meet every challenger head-on.



Taz downed Candido at Hardcore Heaven



President Sting controls WCW

11 TOSHIKI KAWADA (5'10", 230, 18, 17) A streak of bad luck has kept Kawada out of the limelight ... Broke his arm in a match that saw him pin Mitsuharu Misawa cleanly for the All-Japan Triple Crown ... Was forced to vacate the title afterward ... Still teams with Akira Taue as one of the world's most formidable duos ... Martial arts background helps him destroy his opponents with an array of kicks to the face and head ... Uses the stretch plum submission hold to make opponents tap out ... Favorite move is the folding power bomb.

12 STING (6'2", 260, 13, 12) The enigmatic Sting was AWOL for a good part of the year ... When he and The Giant couldn't defend the WCW World tag team title last summer, a match was set up between the two, with the winner being declared champion and getting to choose a new partner with whom he would defend the tag title ... Sting selected Kevin Nash ... They lost the title to The Giant and Scott Hall ... Recently returned after a layoff to side with Nash against Randy Savage and Sid Vicious before becoming the WCW president ... Is now teaming with Hulk Hogan and Bill Goldberg against Nash, Sid Vicious, and Rick Steiner.

13 KANE (6'7", 345, 5, 21) "The Big Red Machine" is a two-time WWF World tag team champion with X-Pac ... A loner by nature, even though he is currently teaming with X-Pac ... Sometimes still feels the need to align with his half-brother, The Undertaker ... Captured the WWF World title by defeating Steve Austin in a first-blood match at King of the Ring '98 ... Also held the tag title with Mankind ... A one-man wrecking crew inside the ring ... Seems to complement X-Pac's energetic, fast-paced style with his powerful, methodical approach.

14 KEVIN NASH (7', 356, 9, 39) "Big Sexy" held the WCW World title twice this year, losing it to Hollywood Hogan the first time and to Randy Savage the second ... Defeated Goldberg for the title at Starrcade with help from good buddy Scott Hall and a taser ... Defeated "Diamond" Dallas Page for his second title ... Currently feuding with Hogan, Goldberg, and Sting ... The former leader of NWO Wolfpac ... An initial member of the NWO, also with Hall and Hogan ... A former WWF World heavyweight, Intercontinental, and tag team champ ... Power bomb is still his finisher.

15 JUSHIN LIGER (5'6", 211, 16, 9) The most influential junior heavyweight of the past decade still amazes and inspires fans and fellow wrestlers ... Leading star of the New Japan junior division, he has held the IWGP junior heavyweight title on nine occasions, as well as the J-Crown and countless other titles ... One of the sport's great innovators, he originated the shooting star press and the running Liger bomb ... Sometimes teams with The Great

Sasuke, or his old partner El Samurai ... Long feud with Koji Kanemoto and his allies continues ... Favorite move is the "Shotay" palm strike.

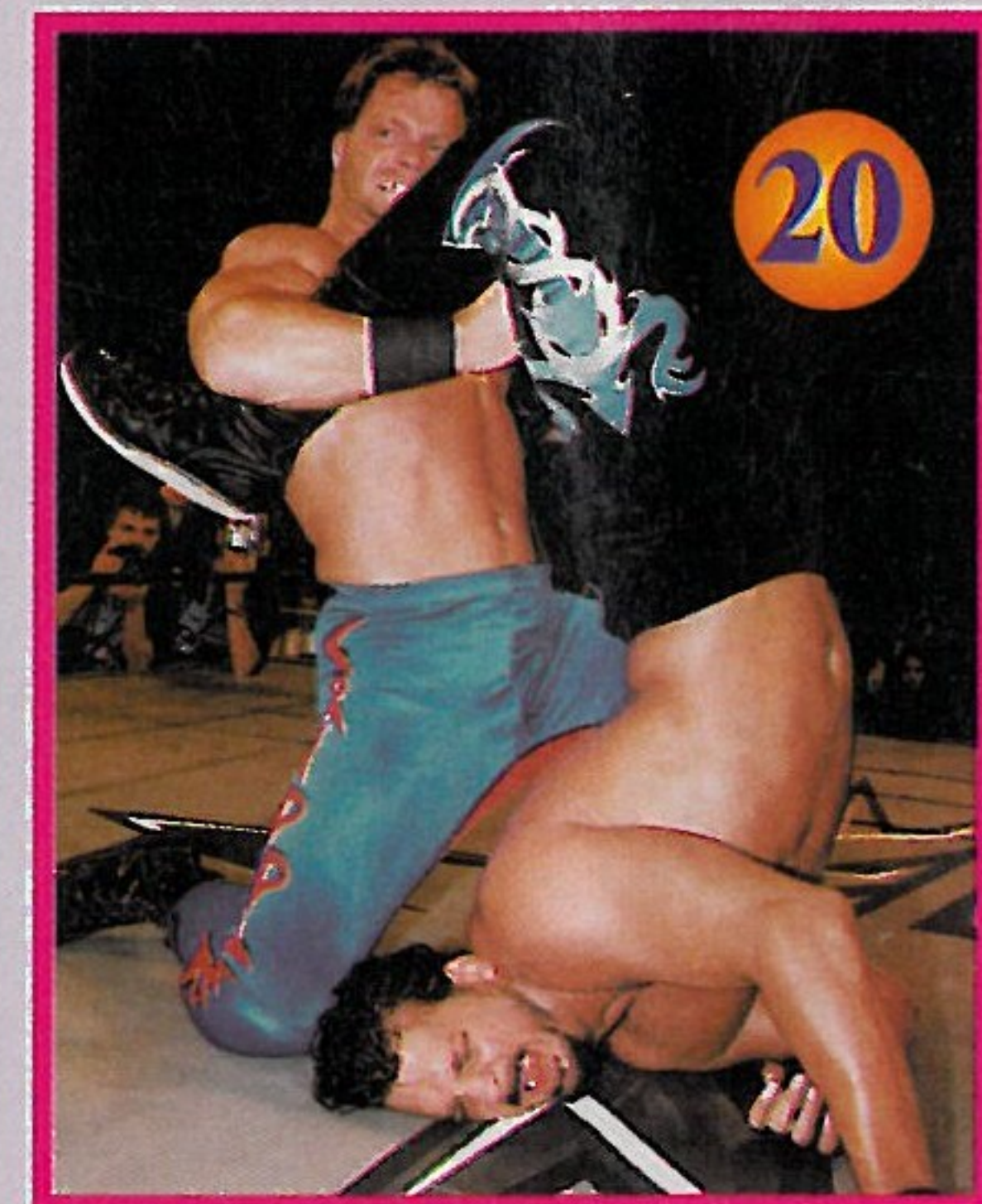
16 DR. WAGNER JR. (5'9", 215, 13, 47) Was one-third of the CMLL trios champs along with Blue Panther and Black Warrior ... Toured extensively with New Japan ... Competed in the "Top Of The Super Junior" tournament ... Lost the CMLL light heavyweight title to Atlantis ... His version of the Michinoku driver II, called the Wagner driver, is the most deadly move in Mexico ... Is also the brother of Silver King.

17 SCOTT STEINER (6', 235, 14, 92) "Big Poppa Pump" had quite a year ... Won the WCW U.S. title from Booker T ... Was stripped of that title months later due to injury ... Reunited with his brother, Rick, after feuding with him for a year ... Possesses the largest arms in the sport ... A University of Michigan alumnus ... Will only occasionally use the signature high-flying moves of his tag team days ... Former WWF and WCW World tag team champion with Rick ... Shoulder and back injuries have left his future in doubt.

18 VADER (6'5", 450, 14, 65) Vader left the WWF after a contract squabble ... Resurfaced in his old stomping grounds, Japan, the place where he first made his mark ... Won the All-Japan Triple Crown from Toshiaki Kawada ... Brutal style fits well with his new-yet-familiar location ... Will have to fend off Kawada in rematches as well as AJPW favorite Mitsuharu Misawa, who beat him for the Triple Crown ... May be best for him to stay in Japan for the remainder of his career.

19 MANKIND (6'4", 277, 16, 26) The man of many personalities is undeniably the wrestler with the greatest threshold of pain ... No matter what it takes, Mick Foley will put his body on the line ... Has finally broke away from Vince McMahon and become his own boss ... Had a thrilling series of matches over the WWF title with The rock in late-1998 and early-1999 ... A real show-stealer with his death-defying maneuvers ... Recently returned to WWF competition after being out several months following double knee surgery.

20 CHRIS BENOIT (5'10", 218, 13, 19) "The Canadian Crippler" is another wrestler who spent some time on the injured list ... Spent time with The Four Horsemen, who failed to live up to expectations ... Along with partner Dean Malenko, won the WCW World tag team title, defeating Curt Hennig and Barry Windham ... Left the

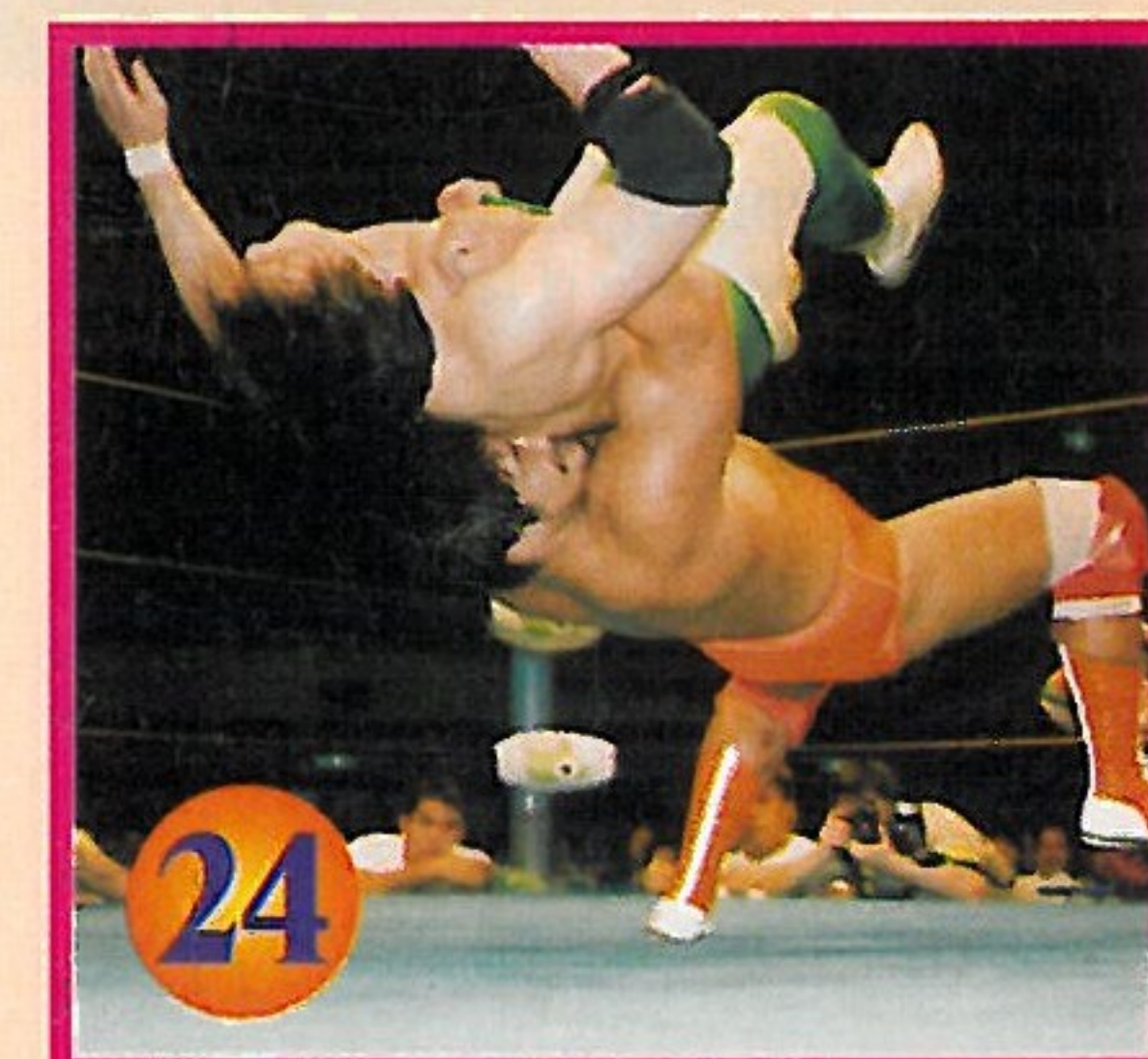


This is why he's called "The Canadian Crippler"

Horsemen along with Malenko and sided with Perry Saturn and Buff Bagwell, young wrestlers who felt the old-timers were holding them down ... Beat David Flair for the U.S. belt on August 9 ... Widely considered the best technical wrestler in North America.

21 DEAN MALENKO (5'9", 216, 19, 35) "The Man Of 1,000 Holds" is a former number one in the "PWI 500" (1997) ... A former member of The Four Horsemen along with Ric Flair, Arn Anderson, and Chris Benoit ... Teamed with Benoit to capture the WCW tag title from Barry Windham and Curt Hennig ... Left the Horsemen with Benoit to join Perry Saturn and Buff Bagwell in their fight against what they call WCW's "old regime" ... Arguably the most skilled mat wrestler today.

22 EL HUIO DEL SANTO (5'6", 170, 17, 18) Teamed with former rival Negro Casas in a bitter war against Scorpio Jr. and Bestia Salvaje ... He and Casas also won the CMLL tag team title on a card commemorating the 15th anniversary of the death of his father, El Santo ... With Casas, won a hair and mask vs. hair and mask match against Scorpio and Salvaje ... Has held just about every title in Mexico.

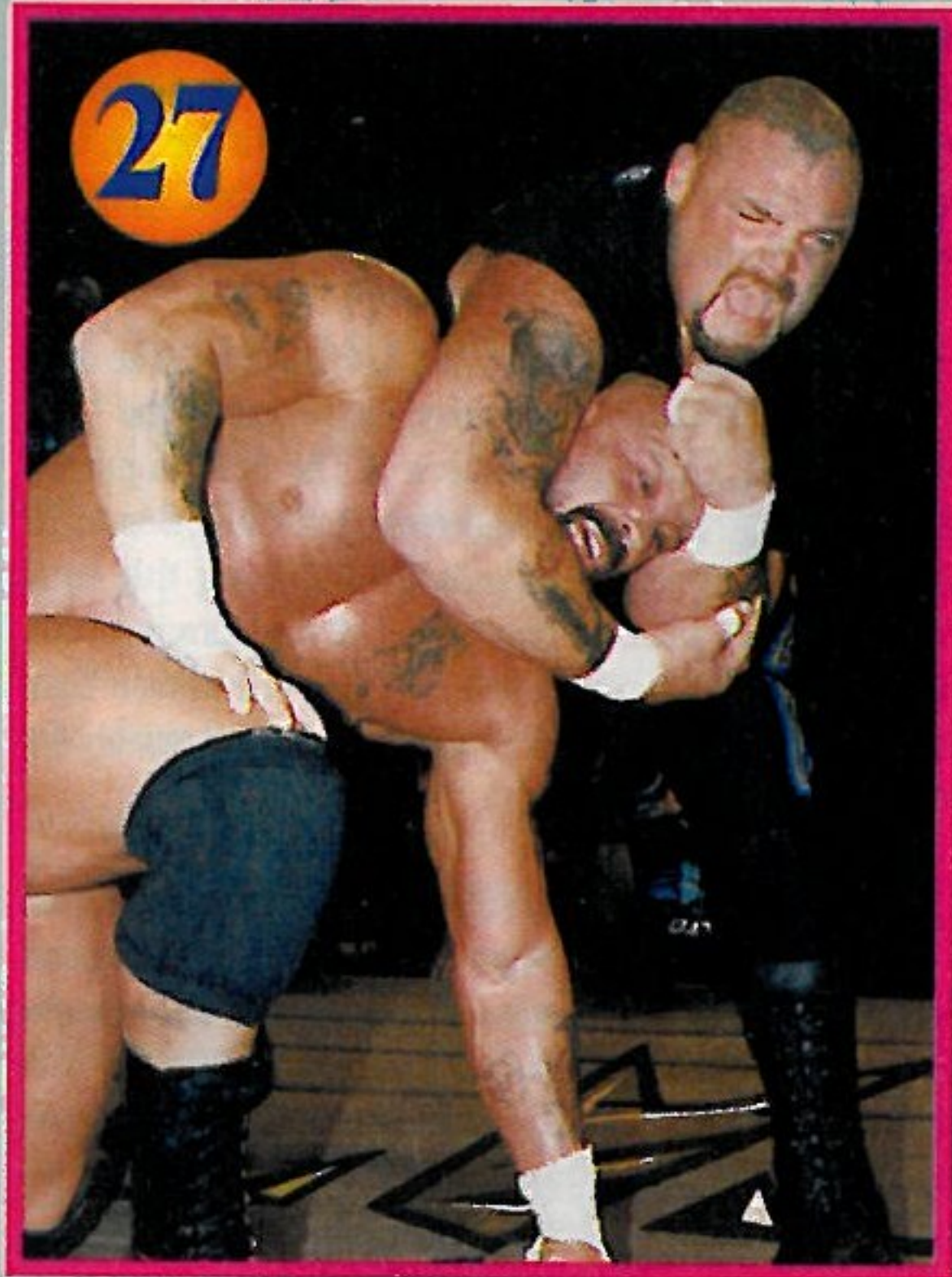


Kobashi suplexes rival Misawa

23 KEN SHAMROCK (6', 235, 10, 8) A former member of The Union in the WWF ... Won the vacant Intercontinental title in October by defeating X-Pac in a tournament final ... Lost I-C title to Val Venis when guest referee Billy Gunn made a fast count on him ... Spent too much time trying to run sister Ryan's love life ... Feuded with Owen Hart, losing a submission match at Stu Hart's legendary "Dungeon," then winning a lion's den match at SummerSlam ... Currently feuding with Jeff Jarrett and Steve Blackman ... Still holds up the moniker of "World's Most Dangerous Man."

24 KENTA KOBASHI (6'2", 265, 11, 6) Two-time former All-Japan Triple Crown titleholder has had a rough year, plagued by minor injuries ... Had one of the year's best matches against perennial rival Mitsuharu Misawa, but couldn't beat him ... Formed a new tag team with Jun Akiyama called Burning ... Wears his opponents down with hard, quick chops and lariats ... Went to the finals of the "Champion's Carnival" against Vader ... Finishing move is the incredible orange crush bomb, a brain-buster turned seated power bomb.

25 VAL VENIS (6'2", 250, 4, 105) This hip-swiveling star is a former WWF Intercontinental champion ... Has been in the company several of the WWF's high-profile women, including Terri Runnels, Ryan Shamrock, and Nicole Bass ... Two of the three women have since left the WWF, but there's no way of knowing if that had anything to do with Val ... Battled with Goldust for the affections of Terri and also Jeff Jarrett for Debra ... Competed in CMLL as Steele ... Has found the perfect partner in The Godfather.



Bam Bam puts Saturn to sleep

26 HUNTER HEARST HELMSLEY (6'5", 279, 8, 24) The former leader of DeGeneration X is now back on his own with Chyna ... Defeated The Rock at SummerSlam '98 in a memorable ladder match to capture the Intercontinental title ... Injured his knee shortly thereafter ... Chyna left him to join The Corporation, and "Triple-H" soon followed ... Recently began a feud with Undertaker within the Corporation, much to the dismay of the McMahons ... On the verge of something big.

27 BAM BAM BIGELOW (6'3", 368, 14, 48) Left ECW earlier in the year and showed up in WCW demanding matches against then-WCW champ Goldberg ... Showed grit to go along with his impressive skills ... Briefly joined forces with Brian Knobs before joining "Diamond" Dallas Page and Kanyon in The Triad ... Currently a co-holder of the WCW World tag title with Page and Kanyon ... A former ECW TV champion ... One of the few who has had success in all three major federations: WWF, WCW, and ECW.

28 KOJI KANEMOTO (5'10", 200, 9, 32) Winner of the 1998 "Best Of The Super Junior" tournament proved himself once again this year by defeating Jushin Liger for the IWGP junior heavyweight title ... Likes to destroy opponents with vicious kicks ... Started career as the third incarnation of the high-flying Tiger Mask character ... Has started using more aerial moves again ... Temperamental attitude hasn't endeared him to New Japan fans ... Possesses a crushing tiger suplex, but has been finishing off his opposition with moonsaults lately.

29 CHRIS JERICHO (5'10", 225, 8, 10) Won WCW TV title from Stevie Ray, who was substituting for his injured brother ... Then lost the title to Konnan ... Finally shed "light heavyweight" label and gained mass appeal with his quick-witted tirades ... Accompanied by "Jericho personal security guard" Ralphus for part of the year ... Became a hot commodity as he neared the end of his WCW contract ... After months of negotiations, Jericho finally decided to jump ship to the WWF and made his debut there on August 9.

30 X-PAC (6'2", 212, 10, 133) A breakout year ... He twice won the WWF European title ... Lost the title to Shane McMahon in controversial fashion ... Began to thrive after the breakup of DeGeneration X ... Teamed with Kane to capture the WWF tag team title from Jeff Jarrett and the late Owen Hart ... Lost in the finals of the King of the Ring to former DX member Billy Gunn ... Bronco buster is

one of the more fan-friendly moves around ... Shows no ill effects from his neck surgery.

31 BILLY KIDMAN (5'10", 206, 4, 202) Left The Flock last fall, and his career has taken off ... A former WCW cruiserweight and World tag team champion with Rey Mysterio Jr. ... Has had several great matches against Rey Mysterio Jr. and Juventud Guerrera ... Shooting star press is one of the more impressive finishing maneuvers in all of wrestling ... Has some of the finest technical skills in the sport ... Career has only begun to rise.

32 SABU (6', 220, 9, 33) The originator of table-breaking and the art of taping one's face to hold a broken jaw in place ... Utilizes unorthodox style that leaves many opponents frustrated ... A former ECW heavyweight, TV, and tag team champion with both Rob Van Dam and Taz ... Spent most of the year battling with the Dudleys and Taz ... In May, Justin Credible attempted to have had Sabu banned from competing in ECW ... Returned at Hardcore Heaven to put Credible through a table ... Capably managed by Bill Alfonso.



X-Pac loves his bronco buster

33 NEGRO CASAS (5'7", 180, 20, 34) This grizzled veteran is still one of the top wrestlers in Mexico and is also one of the most popular *technicos* ... Teamed with El Hijo del Santo to beat Scorpio Jr. and Bestia Salvaje for the CMLL tag title ... Feuded briefly with youngster Zumbido.

34 PAUL WIGHT (7'4", 500, 4, 31) "The Big Show" made a memorable WWF debut when he came through the ring to aid Vince McMahon against Steve Austin at St. Valentine's Day Massacre ... Finished number two in the "500" in his Giant rookie season ... Manhandled Mankind at WrestleMania, but was later arrested and unable to officiate the main event in accordance with a prematch stipulation ... Got frustrated with McMahon and joined The Union ... Has now aligned himself with The Undertaker.

35 JUN AKIYAMA (6', 231, 7, 27) Youngest of the elite athletes in All-Japan Pro Wrestling ... New teammate of Kenta Kobashi—they call themselves Burning ... Uses his elbow strikes and knee attacks to break down opponents ... Validated his status as a top contender in a long string of matches with Mitsuharu Misawa in the past year ... Loads his arsenal with a wide array of suplexes, including the northern lights version, but his pet move remains the exploder suplex.

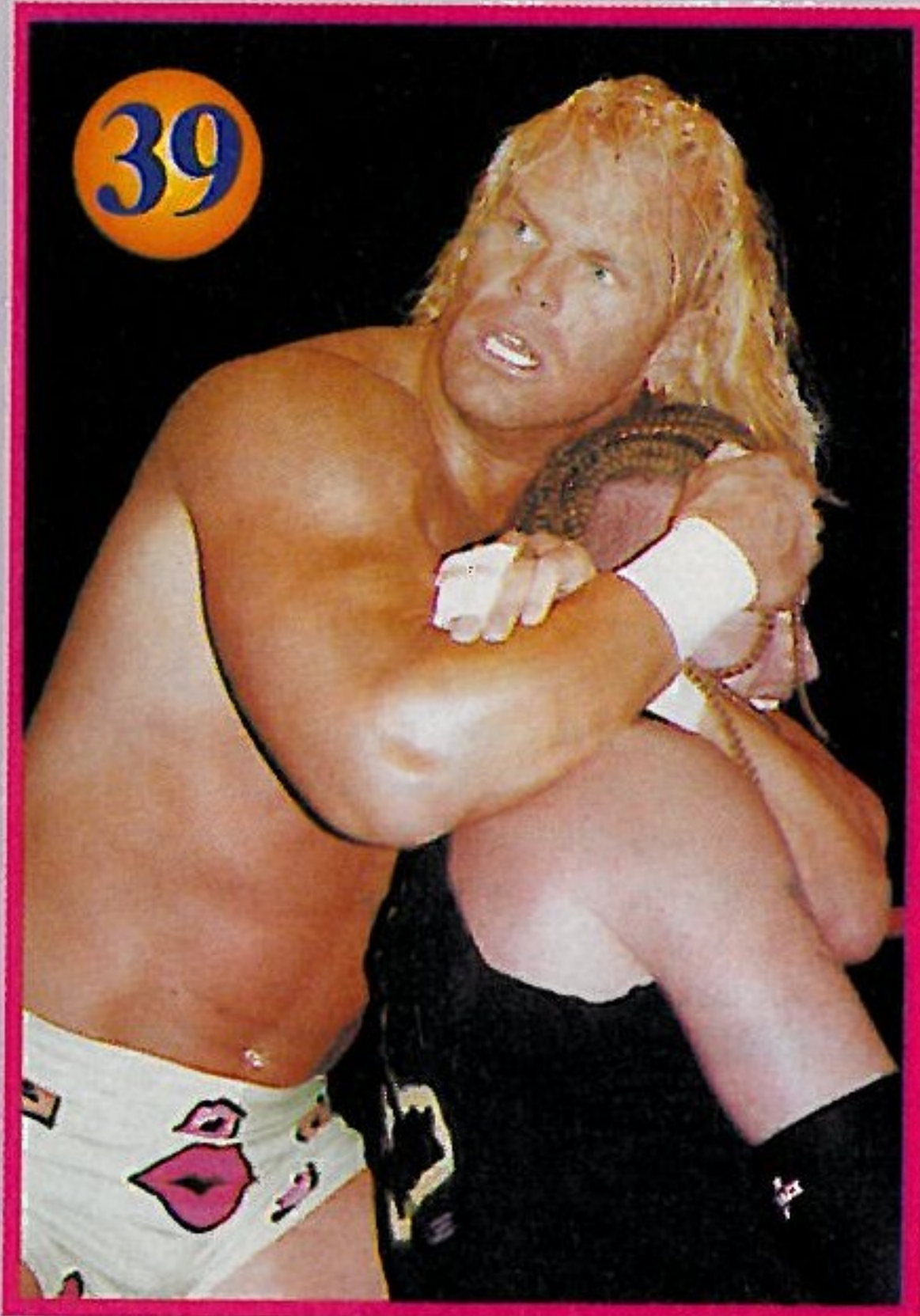
36 JEFF JARRETT (5'10", 230, 21, 43) Jarrett finally seemed to find his groove when Debra rejoined forces with him ... Under Debra's guidance, he and Owen Hart won the WWF tag title ... Following Owen's death, Jarrett rebounded to win the Intercontinental title ... With a guitar in his hand, he is deadly ... This second-generation wrestler is an accomplished mat wrestler ... Competed in WCW before returning to the WWF ... Dropping his "Double-J" persona was a career-enhancer.

37 SUPER CRAZY (5'8", 180, 11, 157) This Luchadore has found a home in ECW after years of competing in AAA and Promo Azteca ... His matches against Yoshihiro Tajiri, Antifaz del Norte, and Mosco de la Merced were among the best of the year in ECW ... This brilliant aerialist is also a good brawler, and he'll need to be in order to survive in ECW ... Often uses a Michinoku driver II as a finisher ... Has competed on the WWF's *Superastros* show as Super Loco.

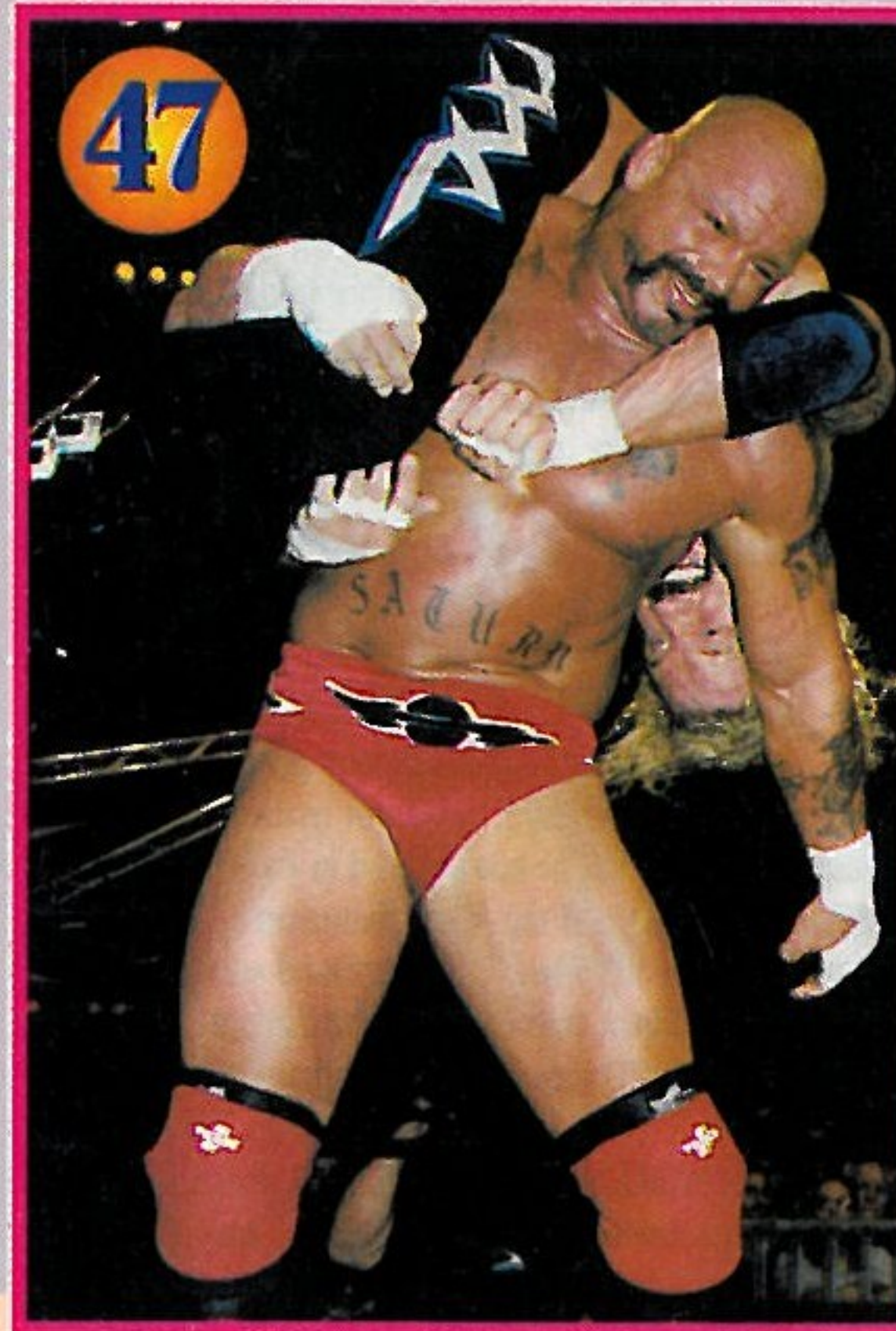
38 HAYABUSA (5'10", 190, 8, 38) Outstanding high-flyer is the main star of FMW ... Teamed with Jinsei Shinzaki to briefly hold the All-Japan tag title ... Also appeared regularly with Michinoku Pro ... Gearing up to unmask on a permanent basis ... He plans to reveal his identity to the world and begin competing under his real name ... Has gradually added bulk, hoping to compete in the heavyweight ranks ... One of the sport's best pure flyers, his aerial moves are graceful and flawless ... Pet move is the stardust press, a twisting 450 splash.

39 BILLY GUNN (6'3", 256, 7, 62) Left DX early in the year in pursuit of singles success ... Seemed to founder a bit after losing to fellow DX partner "Road Dogg" Jesse James ... That all changed when he was crowned King of the Ring in June ... Now feuding with members of The Acolytes, The Rock, as well as James and X-Pac over the rights to the DX trademark ... Headed in an upward direction, especially with old buddies Hunter Hearst Helmsley and Chyna now watching his back again.

40 PSICOSIS (5'10", 200, 8, 41) A WCW cruiserweight mainstay ... Has also competed in Promo Azteca in Mexico ... Has had outstanding matches in the U.S. against Rey Mysterio Jr. ... Finally captured the cruiserweight title by winning a four-way match this spring ... Lost the belt back to Mysterio a week later ... His *tope con hilo* is the best in the business ... Also uses top-ropo legdrop as a finisher.



Billy Gunn has shot up the rankings



Saturn finally dropped his skirt

41 NAOYA OGAWA (6', 232, 3, NL) The reigning NWA heavyweight champion made a name for himself by defeating long-reigning champ Dan Severn ... Top dog of the newly formed UFO group ... Recognized as the top judo star in the Far East ... Made headlines around the world when he destroyed Shinya Hashimoto at the Tokyo Dome in January ... Went on a long tour of the United States in the summer months, defending his title in front of sparse crowds across the nation ... Uses a variety of chokes and joint holds to subdue opponents.

42 RIC FLAIR (6'1", 243, 26, 55) Still going fairly strong after all these years ... Returned to WCW after months of litigation to give one of the most emotional speeches in wrestling history ... Feuded with Eric Bischoff and won the title of WCW president ... Appeared to lose his sanity this year. Spent some time in a mental ward as well and incessantly pushed his son David into situations the young rookie couldn't handle ... Battled Roddy Piper in a memorable feud over the presidency and came out on top ... Piper eventually aligned himself with Flair as the WCW vice president ... Lost the presidency to Sting ... Still one of the most flamboyant performers out there.

43 ATSUSHI ONITA (5'10", 239, 25, NL) Came out of retirement and was unceremoniously dubbed "Mr. Liar" by fans ... Veteran of FMW, where he built a cult status around his infamous exploding cage death matches ... Started feuding with Masa Chono, then, out of nowhere, he allied himself with Chono ... Opposes the wildly popular Keiji Muto ... New Japan officials have banned him from live events, but he continues to appear regardless ... Signature move is the thunder fire power bomb.

44 HULK HOGAN (6'8", 275, 20, 53) Returned from knee surgery to win the WCW World title from Randy Savage ... The former leader of NWO Hollywood is now a solo act, hearing the fans' cheers once again ... Turnaround in character happened while he was battling old nemesis Ric Flair ... The biggest attraction in the sport's history ... Defeated The Warrior at Halloween Havoc '99, when the Warrior made a brief return to wrestling ... Hogan's star power is endless.

45 BLACK WARRIOR (5'10", 195, 14, 256) This masked wrestler is the current NWA light heavyweight champion ... Has been feuding with Mr. Niebla and Atlantis over the belt ... Combines high-flying daredevil

moves with a solid mat repertoire ... Has a beautiful *tope con hilo* in his arsenal ... Also currently holds the CMLL trios title with Dr. Wagner Jr. and Blue Panther ... Many predict this young prospect will be the future of EMLL.

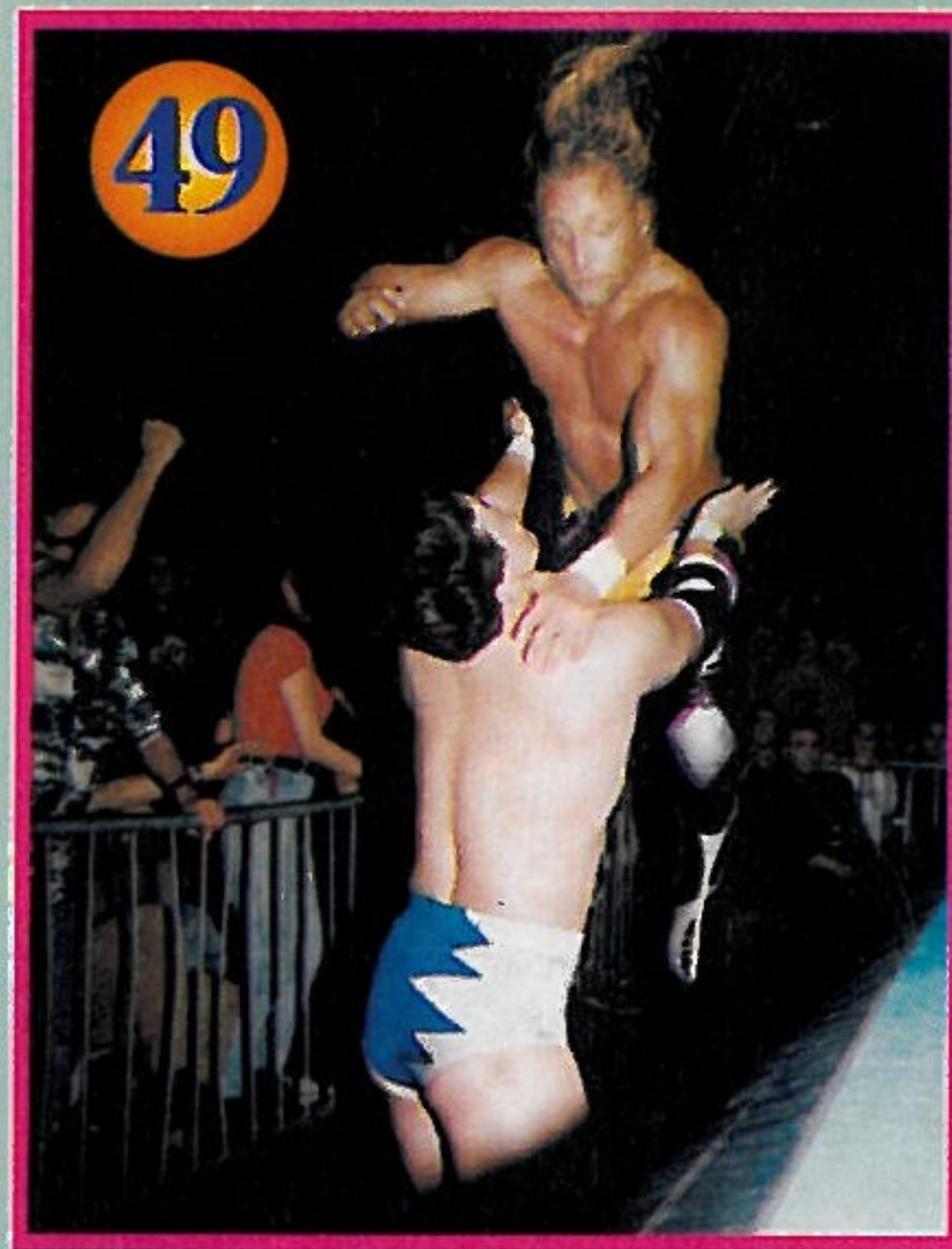
46 JESSE JAMES (6'4", 240, 8, 73) Oh, you didn't know—that "Road Dogg" is now a solo act? ... A former member of The New Age Outlaws with Billy Gunn ... A three-time former WWF World tag team champion ... Concentrated on the WWF hardcore division after going solo, then upset Val Venis for the I-C belt ... A second-generation wrestler from the Armstrong family ... Currently feuding with his ex-partner over the rights to the DeGeneration X name.

47 PERRY SATURN (5'10", 234, 10, 59) Defected from Raven's Flock and began to carve a niche for himself ... Was forced to wear a dress after losing to Chris Jericho, and seemed to like it too much ... Began dressing in the style of rock star Marilyn Manson ... Dropped the "drag" act and reverted back to his old style of boots and trunks ... Joined forces with Chris Benoit, Dean Malenko, and Buff Bagwell in an effort to overcome WCW's old guard.

48 THE GREAT SASUKE (5'8", 180, 9, 69) Returned from his knee surgery last year, then turned his back on his fans ... Changed his mask to include blue designs from Kabuki theater, symbolizing an emergence of sinister elements ... Eventually returned to his fan favorite style ... Splits his time between Michinoku Pro and competition in Mexico with Ultimo Dragon's Toryumon ... Tremendous high-flyer has started adding more submission holds to his arsenal ... Signature move is the thunder fire power bomb.

49 JERRY LYNN (5'7", 185, 11, 114) Earned respect among ECW followers after his dramatic matches against Rob Van Dam at Guilty as Charged and Hardcore Heaven ... Was knocked unconscious at Hardcore Heaven after he landed head-first on the floor ... Has been unable to capture the ECW TV title, but is in line for another rematch ... Currently feuding with Lance Storm ... Teamed with arch-rival Sabu at the ECW Arena, where they defeated Storm and Justin Credible ... All ECW titles are within his grasp.

50 OCTAGON (5'7", 190, 10, 81) Teamed with Heavy Metal in a feud with Thai Boxer and Kickboxer ... Competed in the finals of the *Rey de Reyes* tournament in March ... Arguably the best technical wrestler

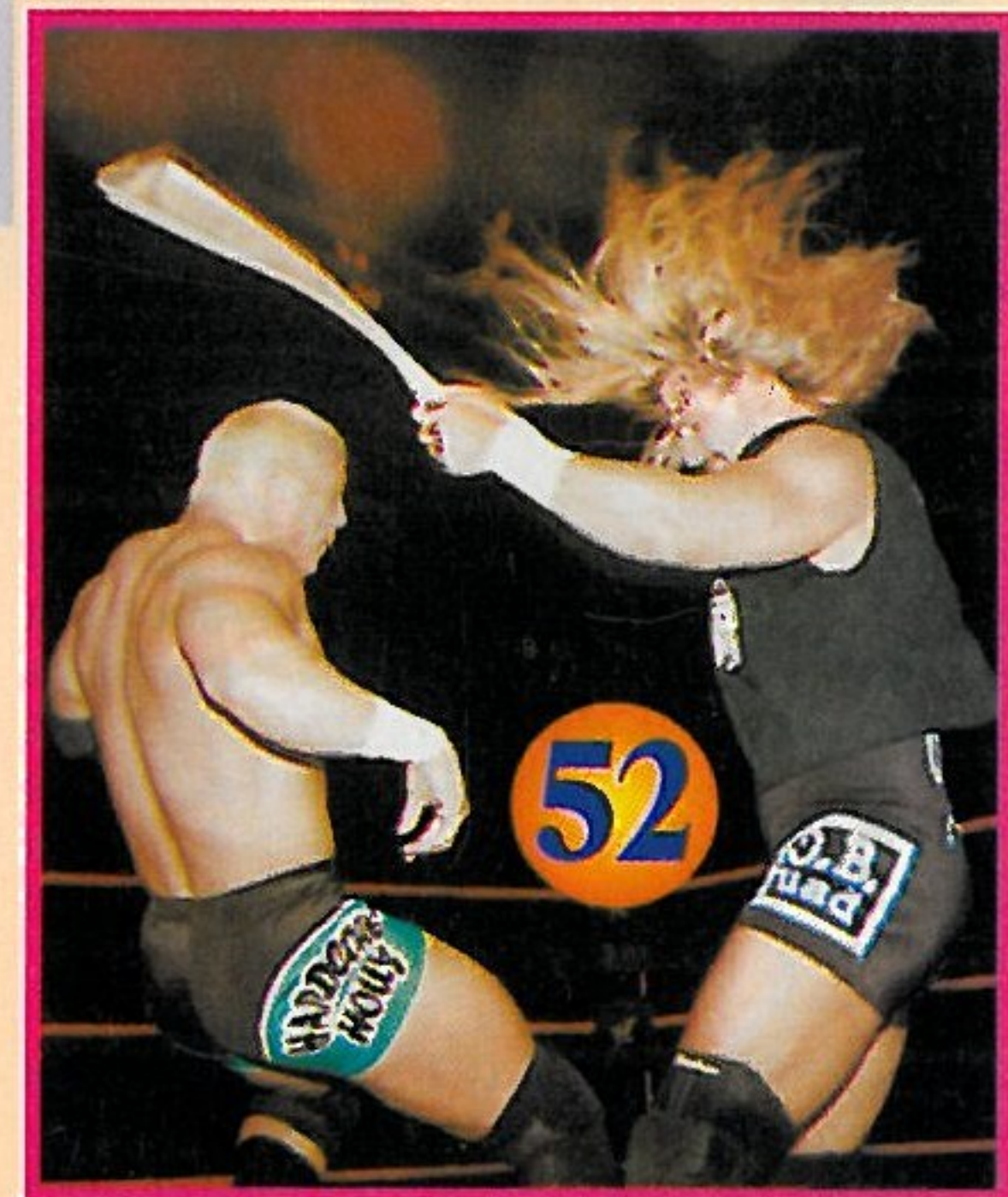


Jerry Lynn deserves respect

in Mexico today ... Former AAA tag team champion, as well as Mexican trios champ.

51 YOSHIHIRO TAJIRI (5'7", 176, 5, 155) This Japanese sensation has found a home in ECW ... Battles with Super Crazy were among the best technical matches this year ... Has joined Steve Corino's camp to battle ECW World champ Taz ... Underwent a severe change in wardrobe in the past few months, dropping the simple tights and boots for a more sinister look ... An expert in submission wrestling, which will come in handy against Taz.

52 AL SNOW (6'1", 233, 17, 70) Along with The Head, a real force in the hardcore wars of the WWF ... A two-time former WWF hardcore champ ... Has had numerous wars with Hardcore Holly, as well as Billy Gunn ... Has traded in the snowplow finisher for trash cans, tables, and steel poles ... Is a force in wrestling no matter what style he uses.

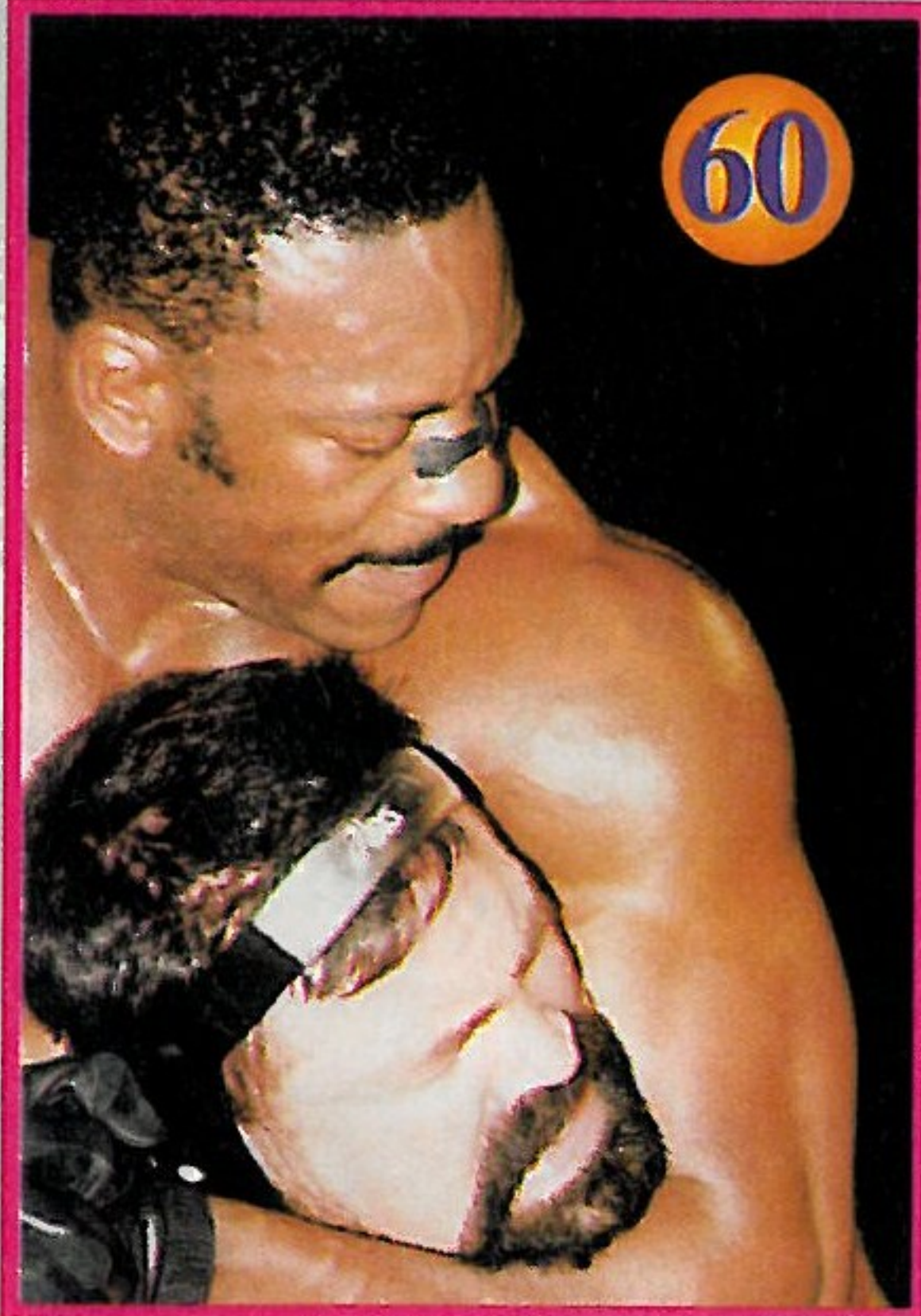


Al Snow shows he's hardcore

53 RICK STEINER (5'11", 248, 15, 66) The "Dogfaced Gremlin" was in and out of the doghouse for most of the year ... Feuded with brother Scott before rejoining him on the dark side ... The reigning WCW TV champ ... His step back into rulebreaking included a new look and new attitude ... Was out several months due to injuries ... Recovered from his injuries to challenge his brother and Buff Bagwell, again ... Still dangerous when he can use his power moves.

54 MASA CHONO (5'11", 245, 16, 46) Hated rival of Keiji Muto ... Former IWGP heavyweight and tag team champion ... Though he initially feuded with Atsushi Onita, Chono embraced him as an ally after a particularly violent match ... Disappeared for a while while tending to a serious back injury ... Teams from time to time with Akira ... Possesses a brutal Yakuza kick to the face ... One of the most hated men in Japan right now ... Scaled back his U.S. appearances this year ... Makes opponents tap out to his STF, a move he learned from Lou Thesz.

55 KENDO KA SHIN (5'9", 195, 7, 104) Former holder of the IWGP junior tag team title with Dr. Wagner Jr. has found success with New Japan in singles this year ... Stunned critics by winning this year's "Best Of The Super Junior" round-robin tournament, defeating last year's winner, Koji Kanemoto, in the finals ... Skilled martial artist with a strong mat game ... Rarely takes to the air ... Impressed fans and the media by donating five million yen to the Kosovo refugees in the summer ... Unpredictable masked man can apply his cross-chest armbreaker from any position, even off the top rope.



Booker T chokes Rick Steiner

56 BRET HART (5'11", 235, 23, 40) The "Hitman" has been inactive since the death of his brother Owen, and is contemplating retirement ... Held WCW U.S. title, but lost it to Roddy Piper ... Became very frustrated at the political landscape in WCW and quit ... Accepted Kevin Nash's challenge to meet him on *The Tonight Show With Jay Leno* ... Many felt Hart would defeat Nash, but the match was canceled after Owen's tragic death ... Future is cloudy, but he is still one of the sport's best technical wrestlers.

57 RANDY SAVAGE (6'2", 252, 24, 16) Spent majority of the year rehabilitating a torn ACL ... Returned with a purpose, sporting a new physique, a new wardrobe, and a surrounding cast of Gorgeous George, Miss Madness, and Madusa ... Quickly gained momentum and challenged WCW World champion Kevin Nash ... Faced Nash several times on *Nitro*, but the results were inconclusive ... Added Sid Vicious to his stable in late-June to battle Nash and Sting ... Defeated Nash for the belt in a tag team match at Bash at the Beach, then lost it to Hulk Hogan one night later.

58 EL FELINO (5'7", 190, 17, 71) Left EMLL for AAA in April to join his brother, Heavy Metal ... Teamed with Heavy Metal to defeat Kickboxer and Thai Boxer in the co-main event of TripleMania in June ... Has also wrestled in New Japan ... Held the WWA welterweight, Mexican National welterweight, and CMLL welterweight titles.

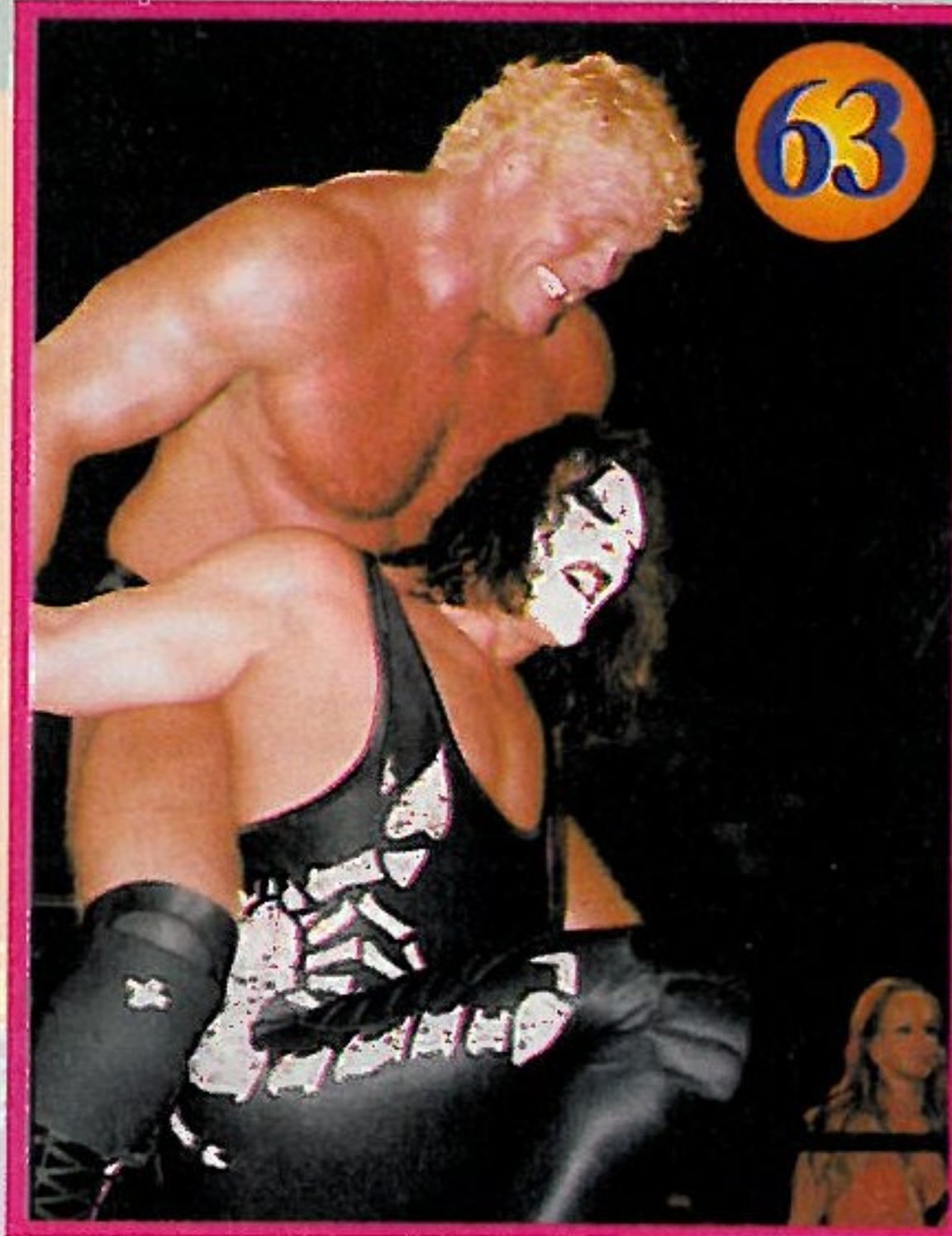
59 AKIRA TAUE (6'5", 266, 11, 51) Long-time veteran of All-Japan has struggled to advance in the singles ranks this year ... A big man who is deceptively agile, he regularly executes dropkicks and topes ... Dominates in tag team matches with frequent partner Toshiaki Kawada ... Faced Vader for the vacant Triple Crown, but didn't fare well ... Former Triple Crown champ and winner of the "Champion's Carnival" ... Can execute his Nodowa Otoshi choke-slam from anywhere, even off the apron to the floor.

60 BOOKER T (6'3", 250, 9, 7) Distanced himself from his brother, Stevie Ray, a member of NWO black and white ... Lost the WCW TV title to Chris Jericho when Stevie Ray tried to defend the title for him ... Spent some time on the sidelines with a knee injury ... Initially refused to team with Stevie Ray, but then reconsidered and reunited with his brother to the delight of fans ... The master of the Harlem hangover.

61 THE GODFATHER (6'6", 340, 10, 209) "Pimpin' ain't easy," and neither was his climb up the WWF ladder ... After several failed gimmicks, he hit a ho' run with his pimp character ... Won the WWF Intercontinental title but later lost it to Jeff Jarrett ... Always accompanied to the ring by a fine collection of female beauties ... Frequently "offers" his personal valets to his opponent instead of a good old-fashioned butt-whip ... Feuded with Jarrett for the better part of the year and has now formed a team with Val Venis.

62 JUVENTUD GUERRERA (5'5", 165, 6, 25) A former WCW cruiserweight champion ... One of the best aerialists in the Lucha contingent in WCW today ... Has had several memorable matches against the likes of Billy Kidman and Rey Misterio Jr. ... Seems unaffected by the loss of his mask in 1998 ... Always a top contender to the WCW cruiserweight title ... Nicknamed "Juvi Juice."

63 SID VICIOUS (6'8", 318, 12, 230) Surfaced in ECW for a while ... Was managed by "Judge" Jeff Jones while there, and his sole purpose was to power-bomb anyone the Judge deemed as "guilty" ... Power-bombed half



Sid's back in WCW to punish Sting

the company and then left for WCW ... Showed up in WCW at The Great American Bash to aid Randy Savage against Kevin Nash ... Wonder what Arn really thinks about his return ... No matter the situation, Sid will always have an opportunity for a return to the ring because of his name value.

64 BUH BUH RAY DUDLEY (6'2", 325, 5, 74) Along with half-brother D-Von, he has held the ECW tag team title an unprecedented six times ... Battled and bloodied Taz at Hardcore Heaven, but came out on the losing end ... A tough, bruising wrestler who uses the power bomb and Dudley death drop as his finishers ... Has become the vocal part of the tag team, whipping crowds into a frenzy with his prematch comments aimed at the fans ... Very agile for someone his size ... Should be in the WWF very soon.

65 D-LO BROWN (6'1", 305, 6, 120) Broke out of the shadow of The Rock and continues to garner the fans' appreciation and, most recently, the Intercontinental title ... An agile man who uses the frog splash as his finisher ... A former WWF European champ ... He and "Sexual Chocolate" Mark Henry have combined to form a dangerous tag team, receiving several WWF tag team title shots ... Was managed for a brief time by PMS members Marlena and Jacquelyn, but is now aligned with WWF women's champ Ivory ... A solid all-around wrestler who has his best days ahead of him.

66 BUFF BAGWELL (6'1", 240, 9, 174) Buff has stepped out from his position as Scott Steiner's court jester to become a formidable star ... Feuded with Rick Steiner while under Scott's spell ... His comeback from a serious neck injury was almost miraculous ... Left "Poppa" to head up the young wrestlers clique with Chris Benoit, Dean Malenko, and Perry Saturn ... Feuding with Roddy Piper, a person he feels has kept him down because Piper sees Bagwell as a threat to his position ... A former member of NWO Hollywood.

67 SCOTT NORTON (6'3", 360, 10, 103) Was one of the last remaining members of NWO black and white ... Is usually seen in the company of Vincent, Horace Hogan, and Brian Adams ... Has not reached the level of success in the U.S. that he has enjoyed in Japan ... A former IWGP heavyweight and tag team champion ... Used to go under the moniker of "Flash" ... Has found success as a singles wrestler in Japan, and now may be the time for Norton to dump fellow NWO members and try it alone.

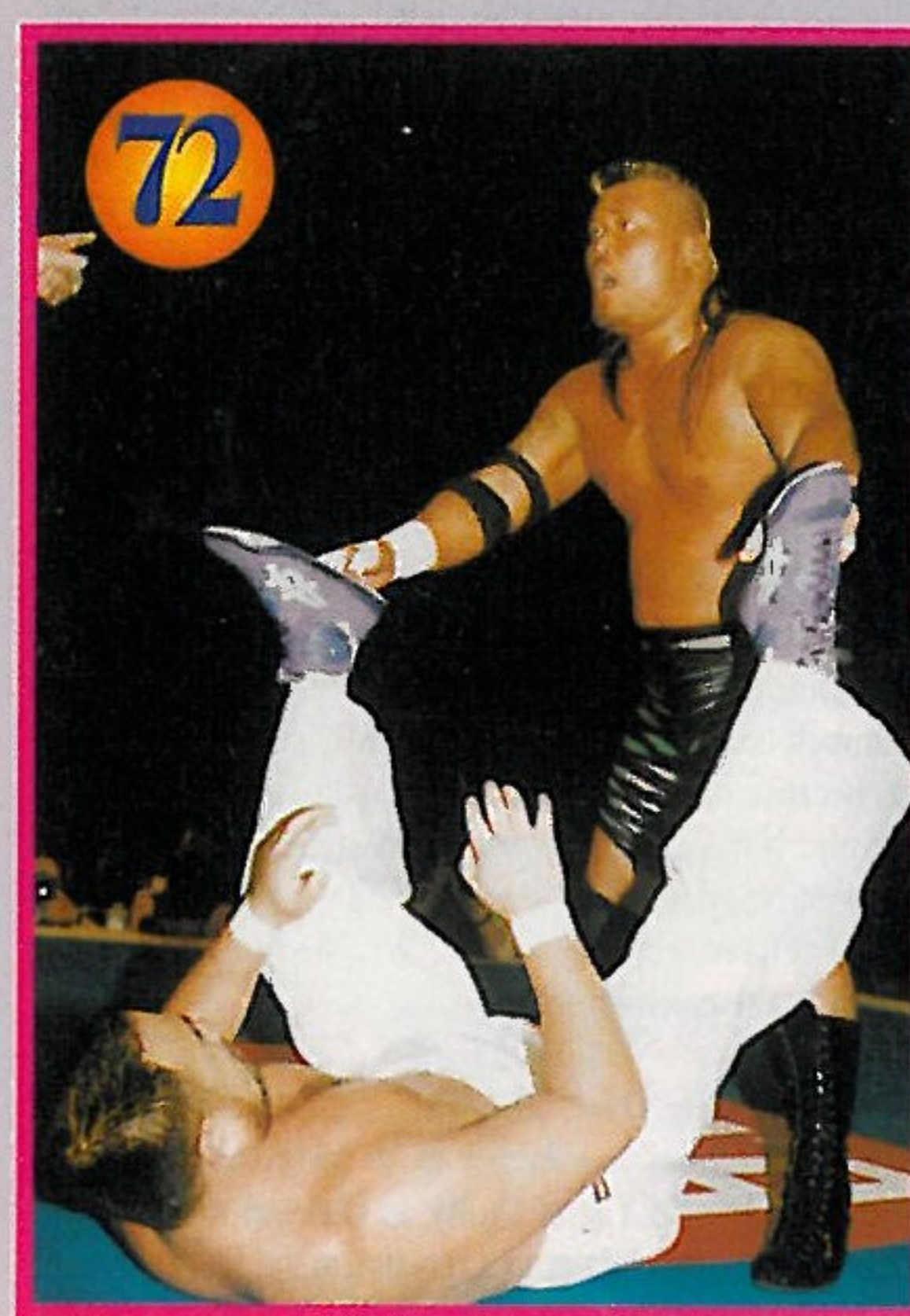
68 BOB HOLLY (6'1", 231, 6, 164) Broke away from the shadow of The New Midnight Express with Bart Gunn to become hardcore ... Really found his niche ... A two-time former WWF hardcore champion ... Tougher than he looks ... Has built himself of the finer physiques in wrestling ... Even though he prefers tables and chairs now, he still is a capable technical wrestler ... Feuding with "Big Show" Paul Wight ... Had a long feud with Al Snow over the hardcore title.

69 LANCE STORM (5'10", 225, 9, 78) One of Calgary, Alberta's, finest has really hit his stride ... Always accompanied to the ring by Dawn Marie ... Defeated Tommy Dreamer at Hardcore Heaven in an anything-goes match ... Has formed a bond with Justin Credible, and the two are looking to take over ECW ... Currently feuding with Jerry Lynn ... A skilled technician as well as an aerial specialist ... Spinning kick off the top rope finishes off opponents.

70 GOLDUST (6'5", 254, 12, 72) The former Dustin Runnels returned to his Goldust character in his effort to invigorate his career ... It worked to some degree in his battles against Val Venis and The Godfather ... Couldn't recapture that old Goldust magic, though ... His shattered dreams finisher is still effective ... Took The Blue Meanie on as a liege after a brief feud with him ... A former WWF Intercontinental champion ... Was recently released from his WWF contract and is expected to return to WCW.



Holly's a hardcore maniac



Tenzan shows no mercy!

71 CURT HENNIG (6'3", 235, 19, 97) Returned from injury to battle Goldberg in a less-than-perfect outing in Goldberg's first World title defense on *Nitro* ... Formed a tag team with Barry Windham and won the WCW tag team title ... Later lost the belts to Chris Benoit and Dean Malenko ... Started the "Rap Is Crap" crusade with The West Texas Rednecks: Barry and Kendall Windham and Bobby Duncum Jr. ... Briefly battled with Master P and The No Limit Soldiers before P and his posse left WCW ... Wrestles a lot better than he sings.

72 HIROYOSHI TENZAN (6', 248, 9, 63) Multiple-time winner of the IWGP tag team title ... Won the championship most recently with new partner Satoshi Kojima ... Unsuccessful in his attempts to win the IWGP heavyweight strap from Keiji Muto ... Shines in tag team competition ... Long-time partner of Masa Chono is now starting to carve out his own niche without Chono ... Agile yet powerful, he favors the flying headbutt and the moonsault press ... Well on his way to becoming an international star.

73 VENUM BLACK (5'8", 170, 7, 127) The hottest young prospect on the independent scene in Mexico ... Competed in the David Trophy tournament in January, losing to Rey Misterio Jr. ... Competes mainly in northern border towns like Tijuana and Monterrey ... Has also ventured onto the American indy scene, wrestling in PCW in the Northeast ... Has a wild *tope con hilo*, *tornillo mortal*, and a vast array of huracanranas in his repertoire ... One of the best young flyers in Mexico ... Lost his mask to Super Crazy in March 1998.

74 RECKLESS YOUTH (5'8", 183, 4, 50) Defeated Stevie Richards in one of Steel City's best matches of the year despite taking a bronco buster from Richards that snapped the bottom rope ... A member of The Black T-shirt Squad with Don Montoya and Mike Quackenbush ... Competes all over North America and in England ... A mainstay in PCW and the ECWA, as well as Northeast Wrestling ... Tried out for the WWF and ECW ... One of the best all-around wrestlers competing today.

75 RAVEN (6'1", 235, 12, 61) No more Flock, so his act is solo ... Feuded with Hak (former ECW rival The Sandman) when Hak first entered WCW ... Still troubled over his youth ... Wrestles hardcore matches against the likes of Bam Bam Bigelow, Hak, and Perry Saturn ... The master of the evenflow DDT ... A former ECW heavy-

weight and tag team champion ... Now part of The Dead Pool in WCW with El Vampiro and The Insane Clown Posse.

76 JEFF HARDY (6'1", 215, 5, 239) Held the WWF World tag team title with brother Matt for a few weeks in 1999 ... The Hardys are trying to regain the championship from Kane and X-Pac ... Tiring of Michael Hayes' motivational speeches, they dumped him as their manager in August ... Won the UWA middleweight title in Japan and lost it in Puerto Rico ... He and Matt have also held the Omega tag belts ... Formerly known as Will o' the Wisp ... Finisher is a reverse 450 splash.

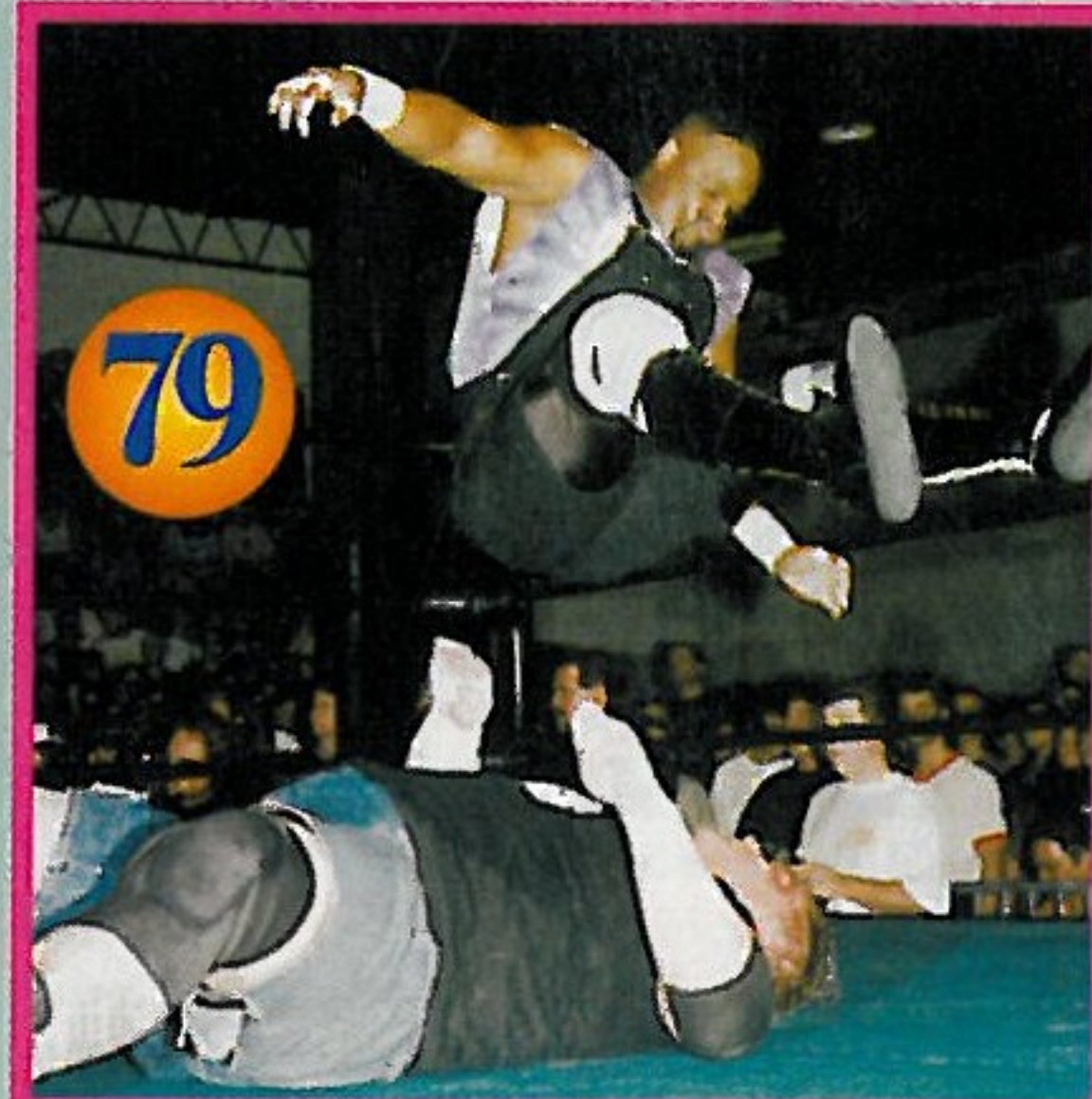
77 YUJI NAGATA (6'1", 228, 7, 83) Former WCW star returned to his native Japan, where he competes for New Japan Pro Wrestling ... Seamlessly blends his background in martial arts and submission techniques with sound mat wrestling ... His stay in the U.S. paid off, as he returned to his homeland with some much-needed seasoning ... Lost in a bid to win the vacant IWGP heavyweight title when he was defeated by Scott Norton ... Formed a new team with Manabu Nakanishi ... Uses a variety of leglocks to finish off opponents, his favorite being the Nagata lock II.

78 BRADSHAW (6'7", 309, 7, 102) A member of The Acolytes and a two-time former WWF World tag team champion ... Was also a member of The Corporate Ministry ... An ultra-tough wrestler who seemed to delight in carrying out The Undertaker's wishes ... A real enforcer in and out of the ring ... His toughness was reinforced when he reached the finals of the WWF's first-ever "Brawl For All" ... Uses the clothesline from hell as his finisher.

79 D-VON DUDLEY (6'1", 260, 5, 111) A six-time former ECW tag team champion with half-brother Buh Buh Ray ... Started their sixth reign by defeating Rob Van Dam and Sabu ... A tough, brawling wrestler who specializes in the Dudley death drop finisher ... Likes to "testify" against opponents whom he feels are headed down the wrong path ... Currently feuding with Mahoney and half-brother Spike, to whom they recently lost the tag title.

80 SHINJIRO OTANI (5'8", 186, 8, 76) Superb aerialist teamed with Tatsuhiro Takaiwa to capture the IWGP junior tag team title in the fall ... Defeated a number of top teams in New Japan before losing the straps to Kendo Ka Shin and Dr. Wagner Jr. ... His feud with Jushin Liger and El Samurai has no end in sight ... Singles career has stagnated a bit this year ... Master of springboards, he routinely performs dropkicks, spin wheel kicks, and DDTs from the springboard ... Finishers include the dragon suplex and twister bomb.

81 JUSTIN CREDIBLE (6', 225, 7, 85) His year has been nothing short of incredible ... Claims to have

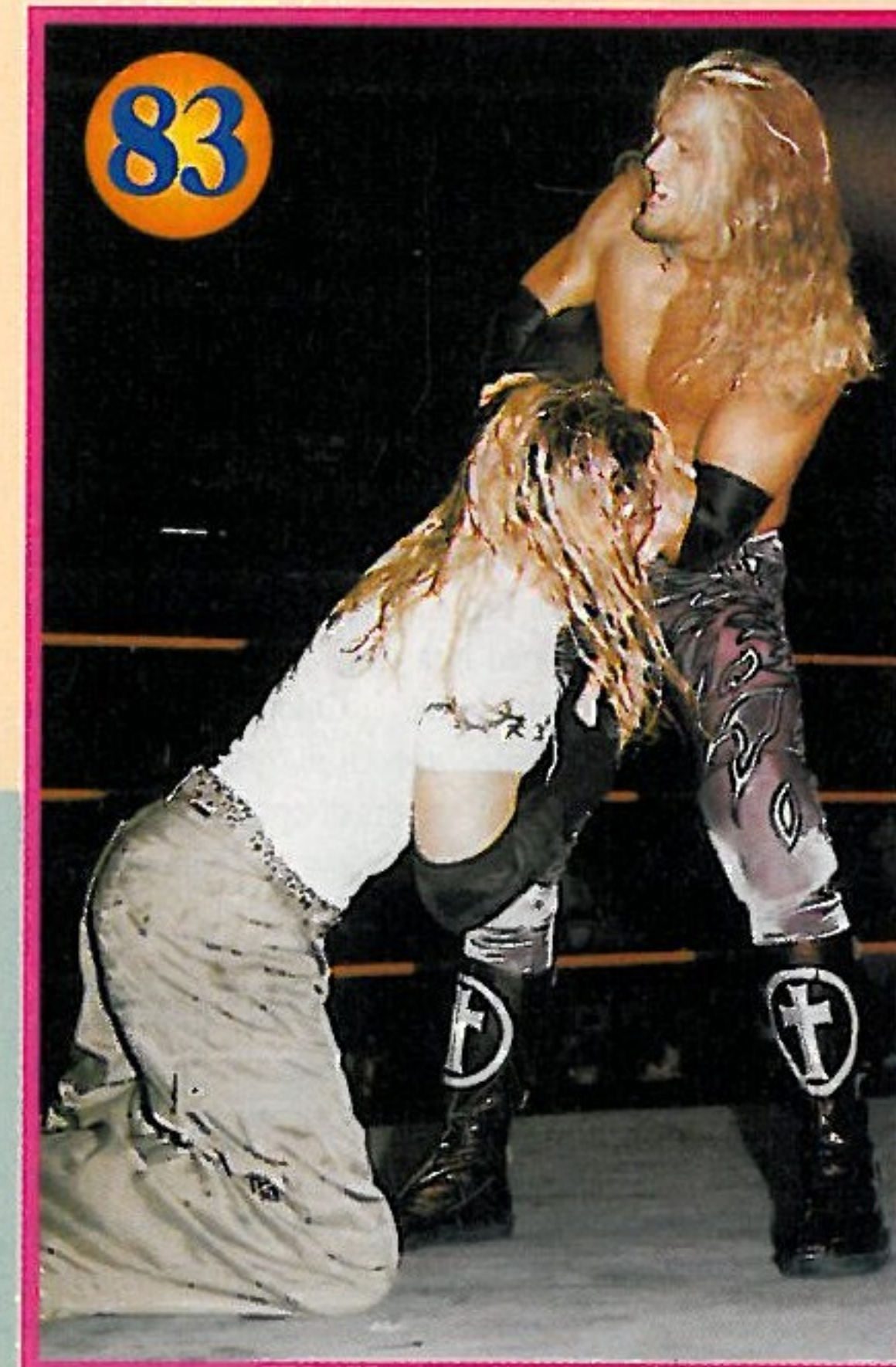


D-Von drops in on Axl Rotten

run many stars out of ECW ... Managed by Jason ... Feuding with Sabu, whom he had banned in May ... Faced Sid at Hardcore Heaven and wrestled him to a no-contest ... Has formed a tag team with Lance Storm ... Feuded with Shane Douglas as well ... Carries a cane to the ring and uses it as a deadly weapon ... Spinning tombstone piledriver is his finisher of choice.

82 ATLANTIS (5'6", 185, 16, 93) Defeated long-time rival Dr. Wagner Jr. for the CMLL light heavyweight title in May ... This veteran *technico* has garnered much respect in Mexico and abroad ... Excellent technical wrestler who finishes off opponents with a *quebrada* majstral ... Wrestles in EMLL ... Has held several midleweight, lightweight, and tag team titles in Mexico.

83 EDGE (6'4", 240, 6, 67) This mysterious man spent most of the year as a member of The Brood ... Joined The Undertaker's Ministry of Darkness, but soon left ... Is currently feuding with Gangrel and trying to figure out if his brother, Christian, is on his side ... Won the Intercontinental title from Jeff Jarrett in his hometown of Toronto, but lost the title back to Jarrett at Fully Loaded ... Also feuded with The Hardy Boyz over the WWF tag title ... Previously wrestled throughout North America and Europe as Sexton Hardcastle.



Edge has the edge on Jeff Hardy

84 SPIKE DUDLEY (5'7", 155, 4, 121) Good things come in small packages, as shown by this Dudleyville firecracker ... Known for his death-defying leaps from balconies ... Acid drop finisher has dusted off many a big man, including One Man Gang, Bam Bam Bigelow, and Sal E. Graziano ... Always feuding with his half-brothers, Buh Buh Ray and D-Von ... Started out on the California independent scene ... Has received several title shots against ECW champion Taz, but has yet to dethrone him.

85 DISCO INFERNO (6', 238, 8, 87) Underneath the disco clothes and ridiculous moniker is an accomplished wrestler ... Currently feuding with Ernest Miller over who is a better dancer and who has more style ... Seems to be more interested in his dancing than his actual wrestling, which is a shame ... A former contender for the WCW cruiserweight title, but now seems to be nothing more than a comedy act ... A fine physical specimen with all the tools, he just lacks the proper attitude to be a major star.



Konnan prefers rap over Disco

86 MASATO TANAKA (6', 213, 6, 95) Started the year out as an ECW regular ... Battled Rob Van Dam for the ECW TV title ... Waged a chair-swinging war against Mahoney for the better part of three months ... Earned his reputation for toughness during those battles ... Briefly held the ECW tag title with Mahoney ... Left ECW over visa problems in April ... Returned to FMW, where his brutal style serves him well.

87 SUPER DELPHIN (5'9", 191, 10, 68) Former star of Michinoku Pro broke away this year and formed his own company, Osaka Pro ... Feud with Great Sasuke ended when Delphin pinned him cleanly, but their out-of-ring rivalry is unending and bitter ... Colorful masked man is dazzlingly quick and skilled in both *puroresu* and Lucha Libre ... While Delphin likes to punish opponents with his palm strikes, he prefers to use his trademark Delphin clutch pinning combination to finish them off.

88 KONNAN (5'10", 230, 12, 99) "K-Dogg" is in the house! ... Proved the NWO isn't really "for life" by splitting from the group to team with former foe Rey Misterio Jr. ... He and Rey did a nice job defending rap in their war against Curt Hennig's "Rap Is Crap" tour ... Has cut a rap single, and many think he has stardom in the music industry awaiting him after his wrestling career ... A former standout in Mexico's AAA and Promo Azteca.

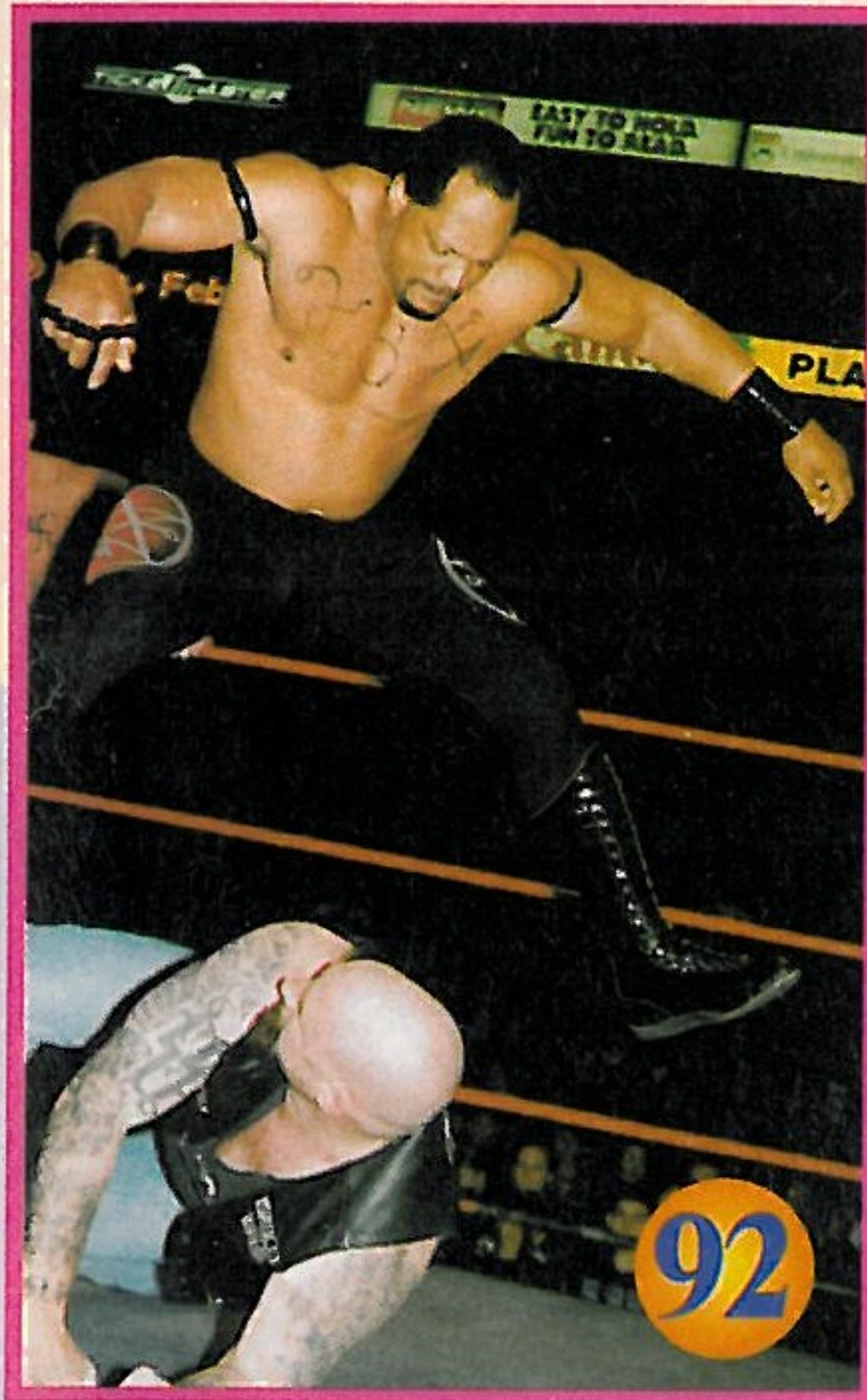
89 LA PARKA (6'1", 235, 12, 37) The "Chairman Of The Board" is still in WCW, although he hasn't had much success there ... A former Promo Azteca star as well as a AAA star in Mexico ... A former member of the Latino World Order ... Known for his aerial moves and his strut ... Much larger than most of his Mexican contemporaries ... Recent feuds include Konnan, Rey Misterio Jr., and Eddy Guerrero ... Needs to move up in WCW or try his luck somewhere else.

90 CHRISTIAN (6'1", 225, 4, 80) Formerly one-third of The Brood ... Was used by Gangrel to recruit his brother, Edge, into the group ... A former WWF light heavyweight champion ... Was a part of The Undertaker's Ministry of Darkness ... Spent much of his Brood time being utilized as the third member in tag matches ... Feuded with The Hardy Boyz ... Is currently in the middle of a budding feud between Edge and Gangrel ... Still holds the ECWA heavyweight title ... Wrestled in the indys as Christian Cage.

91 HAK (6'3", 244, 10, 96) Left ECW to join the ranks of WCW, where he changed his name from The Sandman to Hak ... First appeared as Raven's long-time friend, then battled Raven over who was the true hardcore icon ... Won some and lost some ... Was able to gain the services of Chastity, who now serves as his valet ... If it isn't nailed down to the arena, Hak will use it in a match ... Is known for wrestling through injuries, which he realizes will ultimately catch up with him.

92 FAAROOQ (6'2", 291, 13, 77) A member of The Acolytes along with Bradshaw, with whom he has twice held the WWF tag team title ... Also a former member of The Corporate Ministry ... Has displayed his viciousness in televised matches against the Hardys and Public Enemy ... The former leader of The Nation of Domination ... Feuding with Mark Henry and D-Lo Brown, also former members of The Nation ... Held the WCW World title in 1992.

93 DAVE FINLAY (5'10", 230, 21, 42) Was inactive for several months because of an injury ... Formed an alliance with David Taylor, which wasn't overwhelmingly successful ... One of the toughest guys in wrestling, he's perfect for WCW's new hardcore division ... A former WCW TV champion ... Suffered what could be a career-threatening injury during a hardcore match against Brian Knobs, breaking his leg and severing tendons.



Faarooq's career has taken off

94 BIG BOSSMAN (6'6", 310, 14, NL) This veteran wrestler returned to the WWF and revitalized his career ... Was a member of The Corporation and The Corporate Ministry ... Feuded with The Undertaker and was hanged from a cage by 'Taker and The Brood at WrestleMania ... Engaged in a series of nightstick-on-a-pole matches with The Rock ... Reigning WWF hardcore champ is one tough brawler who has proved he can still hold his own against the best of the WWF's young stars.

95 HEAVY METAL (5'7", 180, 11, 135) Frequently teams with brother Octagon ... Together, they have feuded with Thai Boxer and Kickboxer ... Has also teamed with his other brother, El Felino, who jumped to AAA from EMLL against the Boxers ... Feuded with Cibernetico and Kickboxer in bloody singles feuds as well ... A favorite of the fans.

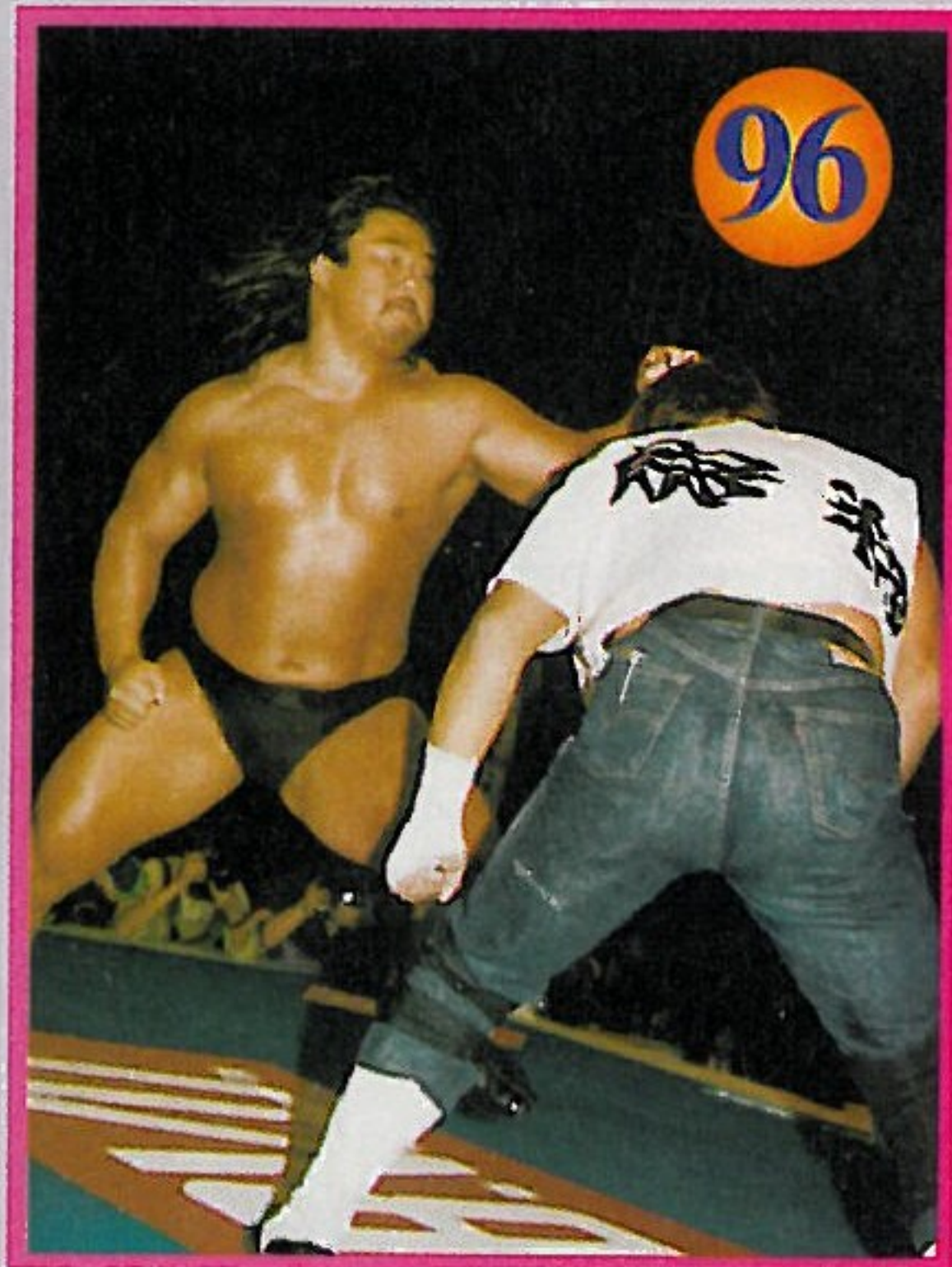
96 KENSUKE SASAKI (5'10", 263, 13, 23) Former IWGP heavyweight champion had a hard time in singles competition ... Went virtually ignored this year, receiving few title shots ... Student of Riki Choshu ... Perennial fan favorite is husband of female star Akira Hokuto ... Formed a successful team with Shiro Koshinaka ... The duo won the IWGP tag team title by beating Hiro Yoshi Tenzan and Satoshi Kojima ... Their reign as tag team champions is his sixth ... Favorite move is the northern lights bomb.

97 DAN SEVERN (6'2", 265, 8, 44) "The Beast" left the WWF in March after making little headway in the promotion ... Feuded with former UFC rival Ken Shamrock before leaving ... Never really caught on with the fans because of his conservative, straight-laced style ... His four-year NWA title reign was ended in March by Japanese sensation Naoya Ogawa ... Old rival Dory Funk Jr. was the special referee when he lost ... Wrestled to a draw with Ogawa in a rematch in Texas.

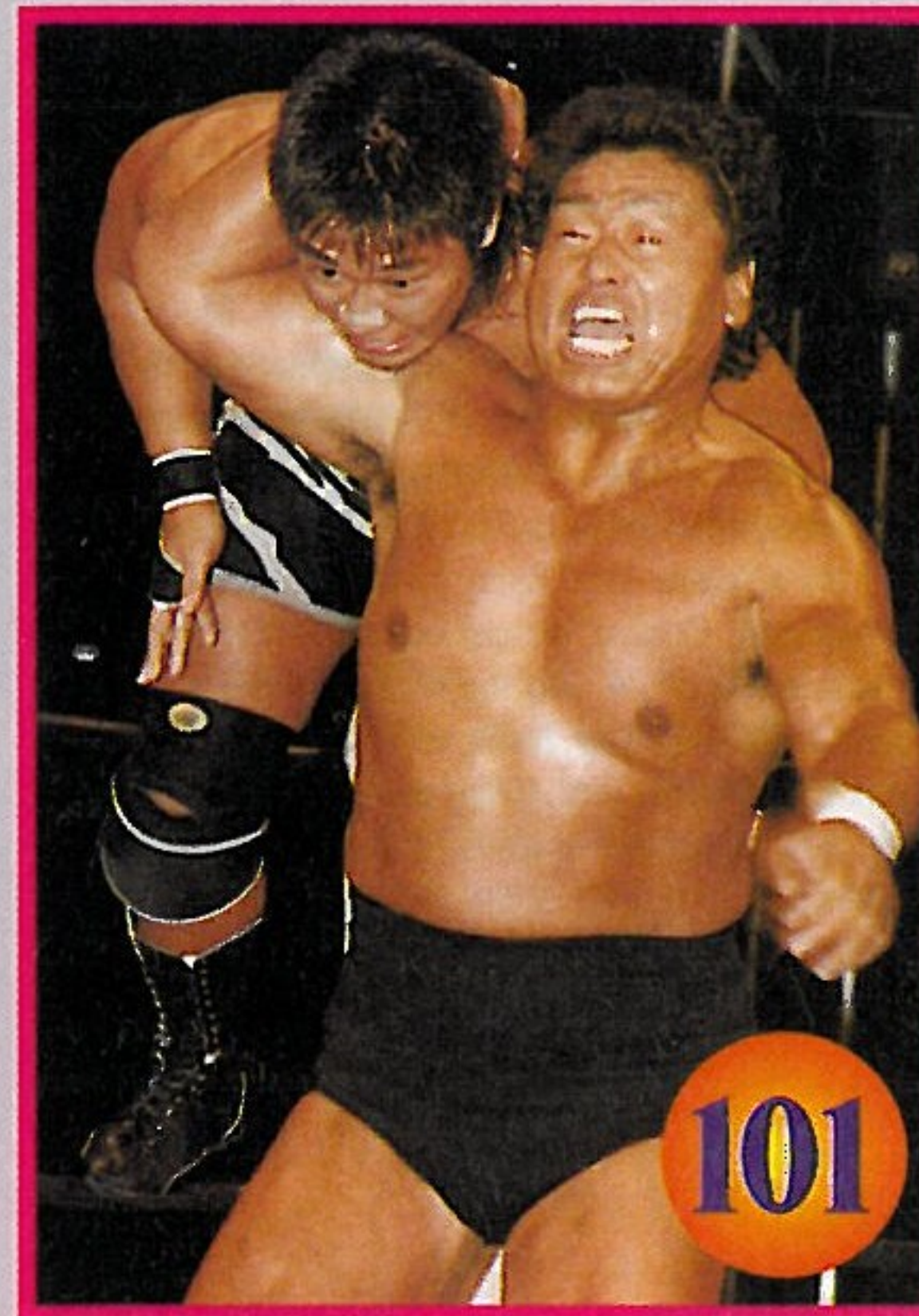
98 SHANE DOUGLAS (6'1", 240, 13, 30) "The Franchise" is a former ECW heavyweight champion ... Lost title to Taz at Guilty as Charged in Florida ... Wrestled Taz a week later in a rematch at the ECW Arena in one of the most memorable title matches in company history ... Fractured his ankle a month later ... Became a hot free agent, negotiating with both WCW and WWF. WCW eventually won out ... Now finds himself in the same company as Ric Flair, a man he has criticized many times in the past.

99 BLITZKRIEG (5'5", 160, 5, NL) This WCW newcomer has actually been around since 1994 ... Wrestled exclusively in California, Mexico, and Japan before signing with WCW ... Honed his high-flying skills as a member of a trapeze/circus review owned by Time Warner—the parent company of WCW ... A chance meeting with Konnan helped him get a spot with WCW ... Uses a 450 corkscrew splash as his finisher.

100 MATT HARDY (6'1", 234, 5, 208) The dark-haired member of The Hardy Boyz ... A former Carolina indy mainstay who finally got his big break with the WWF ... WWF career seemed to be going nowhere before he and his brother took on Michael Hayes as their adviser ... Feuded with The Brood for several months ... New look includes Janco jeans, tight shirts, and a more aggressive outlook to go with it ... An accomplished mat wrestler as well as a high-flyer ... Advanced to the semifinals of ECWA's annual Super 8 Tournament this year.



Not a great year for Sasaki



Tenryu takes it to Kojima

101 GENICHIRO TENRYU (6'1", 275, 23, 79) Former sumo star has re-established himself as a major player in New Japan ... Teams with Tokyo Magnum on occasion ... Former headliner for the WAR group returns there from time to time ... Issued an unanswered challenge to Goldberg this summer ... Best known for his hard kicks, particularly his enzuigiri ... Former IWGP tag team champion with Shiro Koshinaka ... Signature move is the power bomb.

102 GANGREL (6'3", 256, 11, NL) He, along with Christian and Edge, formed The Brood in the WWF ... Totally immersed himself in the Gothic lifestyle and even wore vampire fangs ... Those fangs came in handy when he wrestled as Vampire Warrior ... Ceremoniously drinks from a chalice and spits a blood-like substance toward the crowd before each match ... Once the match starts, he tries to defeat opponents with his hybrid style of brawling and technical wrestling ... Spent much of the year teaming with his fellow Brood members, but is now feuding with them.

103 SHIIMA NOBUNAGA (5'11", 210, 2, NL) This Ultimo Dragon prodigy has made a big splash in Mexico, as well as in Japan for the Toryumon promotion ... Wrestles for Grupo Revolucion in Mexico ... Combines traditional Lucha Libre with Japanese training ... Former Grupo Revolucion welterweight champ ... Lost that belt to Ultimo Vampiro ... Feuded for most of 1999 with fellow Ultimo Dragon protege Tokyo Magnum ... Uses MAD splash as his finisher.

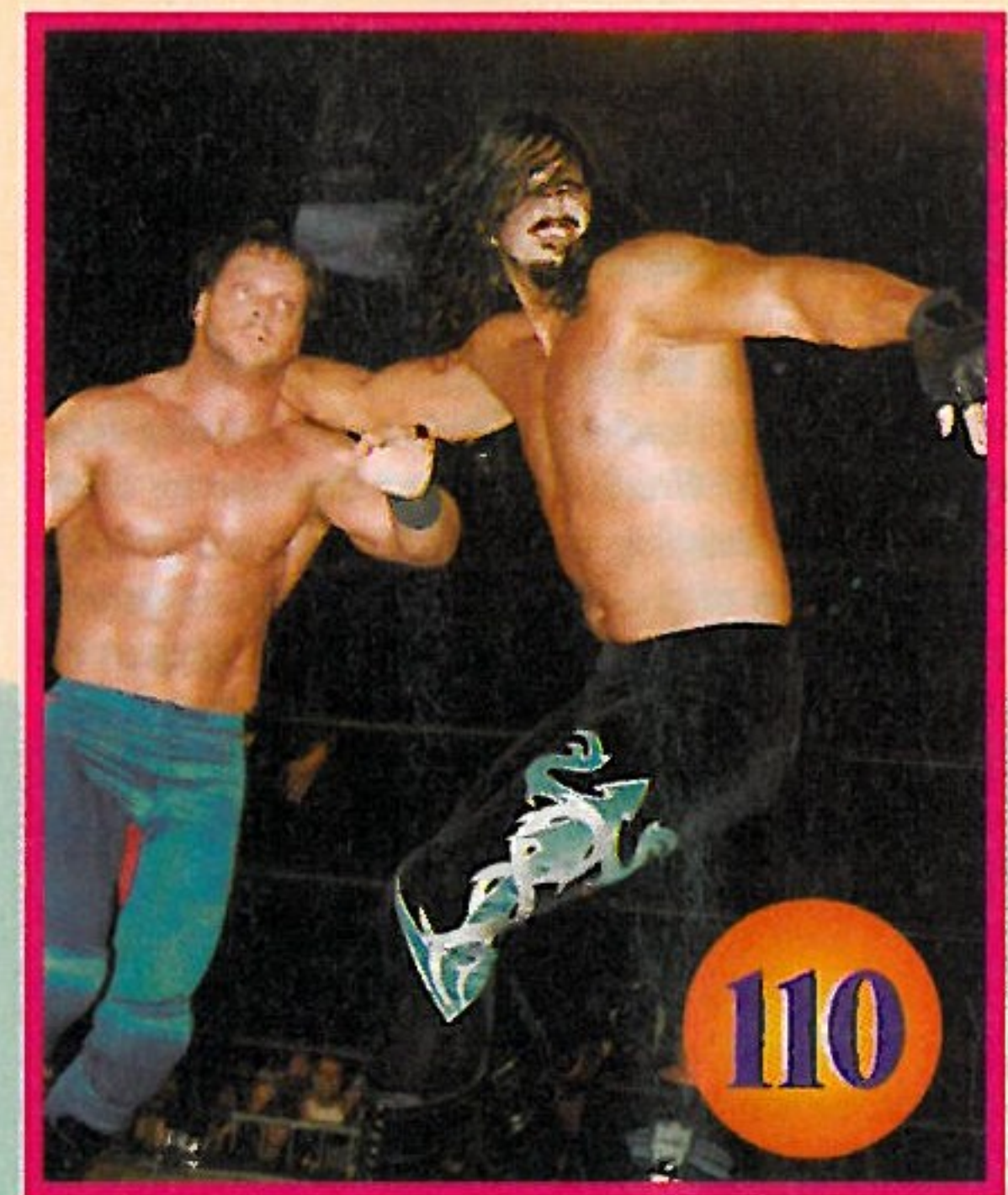
104 2 COLD SCORPIO (5'11", 222, 13, 94) Became a member of the WWF's J.O.B. Squad with Al Snow and Bob Holly ... Formed a formidable team with Holly before leaving the WWF in April ... Showed up in ECW to challenge Rob Van Dam for the TV title, a title he has won four times ... Also captured the vacant PCW heavyweight title in a three-way match, then lost it the next night to Lance Diamond ... Options are open as of press time, Japan being the most viable ... Still a world-class athlete.

105 CHAVO GUERRERO JR. (5'6", 228, 6, 64) Pepe and company seem to be a forgotten commodity ... Seemed to lose direction, as well as a lot of matches, after Uncle Eddy's car accident ... Possesses one of the sport's best dropkicks ... Needs to get out of his uncle's shadow while he is still capable.

106 MOSCO DE LA MERCED (5'5", 170, 7, 238) Another young star of the Mexican independent promotions ... Currently wrestling regularly in ECW, where he has faced Yoshihiro Tajiri and old nemesis Antifaz del Norte ... Uses a *tope suicida* and spinning plancha with much success ... Lost his mask earlier this year.

107 EL SAMURAI (5'11", 208, 13, 113) Former J-Crown holder and winner of the 1997 "Best Of The Super Junior" tournament hasn't had the success this year that he enjoyed in the past ... Was shut out of the IWGP junior heavyweight title picture in New Japan because of the ongoing feud between Jushin Liger and Koji Kanemoto ... Occasionally teams with Liger and Dr. Wagner Jr. ... Has a number of inverted DDTs in his arsenal, including one from the top rope and a swinging version from the turnbuckles ... New pet move is an inverted brainbuster.

108 JOHNNY ACE (6'4", 253, 12, 106) Broke away from teammate Kenta Kobashi this year and has engaged him in several intense matches ... Among the most popular foreigners competing for All-Japan Pro Wrestling ... Became a fixture in tag and six-man matches this year, which caused him to drop in singles rankings ... Inventor of the Ace crusher, perhaps the most imitated finishing move in wrestling ... Had his toughest singles match this year with Jun Akiyama ... Likes to put his opponents away with his cobra clutch suplex.



Kanyon had a grand year

109 SILVER KING (5'11", 221, 14, 101) This Luchadore spent a good deal of his time this year in WCW, where he wrestled primarily against other Luchadores ... Has held several titles in Mexico, including the heavyweight and tag titles in CMLL, the light heavyweight and tag titles in the UWA, and the tag title in the WWA ... Spent most of his career competing as a *tecnico*, but turned his back on the fans in recent years ... A second-generation wrestler.

110 KANYON (6'3", 270, 3, 108) A breakout year for the former Mortis ... Held the WCW World tag title with Triad members "Diamond" Dallas Page and Bam Bam Bigelow ... A tall, rangy wrestler who has become somewhat innovative inside the ring ... His position alongside Page and Bigelow might be the launching pad he has sought to become a headliner in WCW

111 TAKA MICHINOKU (5'7", 169, 8, 22) A former WWF light heavyweight champion ... Joined up with Kaientai buddies in the WWF ... After being somewhat phased out, he entered ECW to try to recapture his brilliance

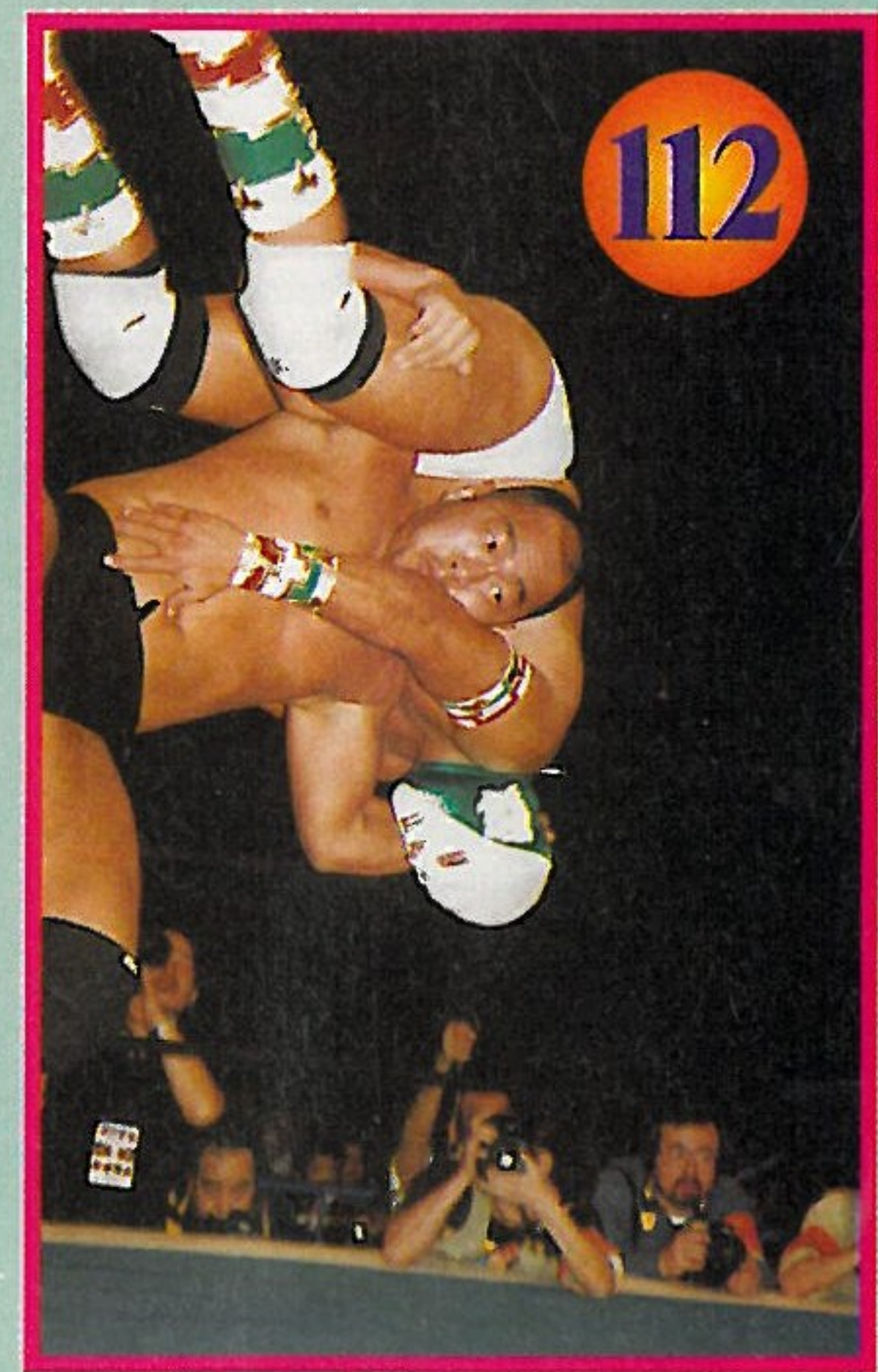
... Quickly entered into a feud with Super Crazy in which both men were able to display their aerial arsenal ... Lost to Super Crazy at Hardcore Heaven in June.

112 TATSUHIITO TAKAIWA (5'10", 227, 6, 138) Young star of New Japan's junior heavyweight division won his first title when he and Shinjiro Otani captured the IWGP junior tag team title last fall ... Powerful grappler loves to blast opponents with high-impact lariats ... Long feud with Dr. Wagner Jr. and Kendo Ka Shin kept him out of singles action for most of the year ... Takaiwa's arsenal includes almost no high-flying moves, but he keeps up with the competition with his wide array of power moves, including the Death Valley driver ... Has a spectacular triple power bomb that he converts into the dreaded DVD.

113 BLUE PANTHER (5'5", 205, 21, 56) One-third of the CMLL trios champions, along with Dr. Wagner Jr. and Black Warrior ... Excellent mat technician who can brawl as well ... Spent most of the year feuding with both Atlantis and Olimpico ... Is known for his standing figure-four leglock finisher ... Has also held the Mexican National middleweight and CMLL welterweight titles.

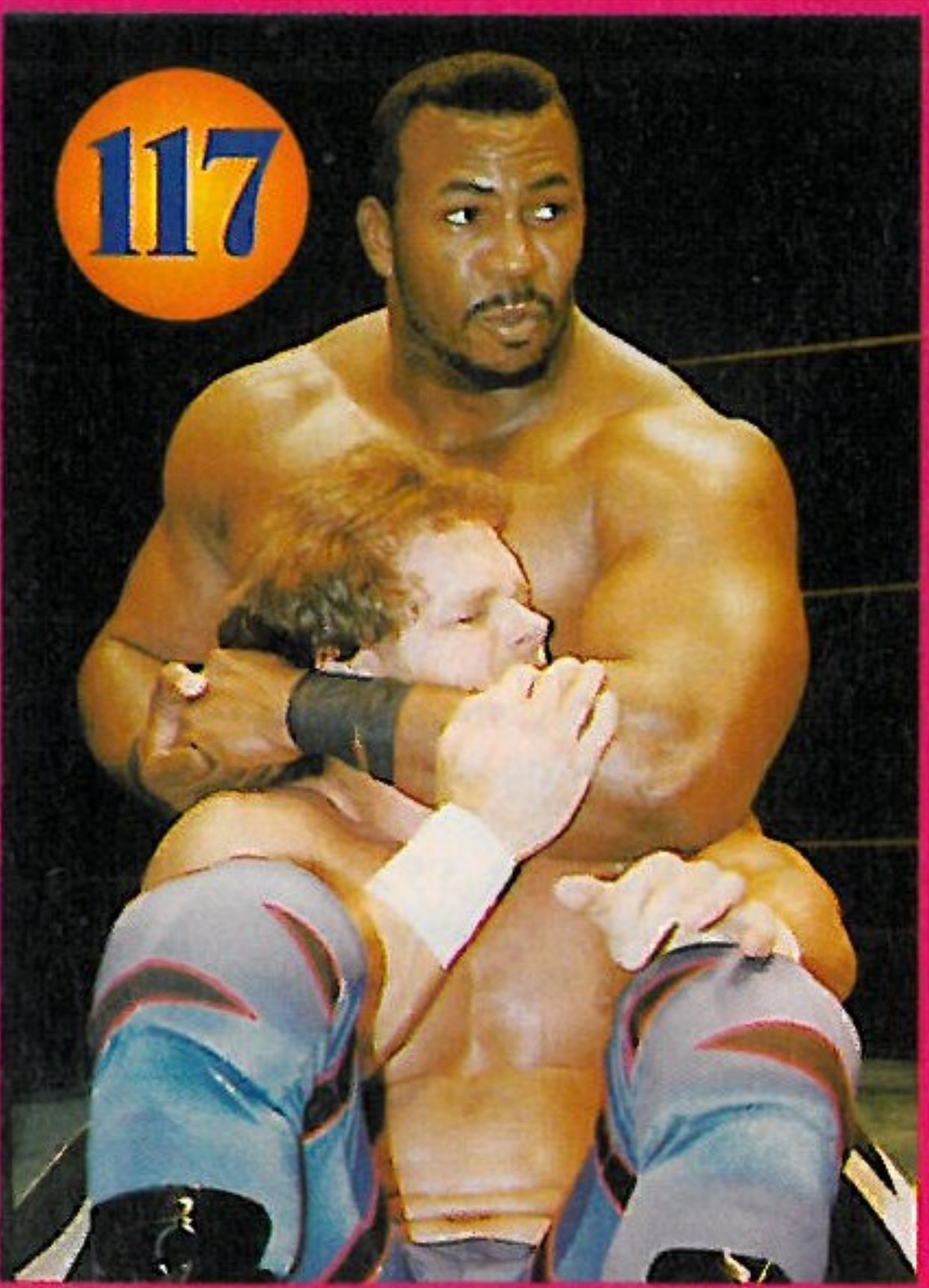
114 CHRISTOPHER DANIELS (5'11", 210, 6, NL) "The Fallen Angel" ranks among the best independent wrestlers today ... Blends his high-flying expertise with a good knowledge of technical moves ... Made a name for himself on the international scene by wrestling in East Coast indies, as well as for Michinoku Pro Wrestling in Japan and the WWF this year ... Was invited to the WWF dojo in November ... Made it to the finals of the ECWA Super 8 Tournament, losing out to Steve Bradley, the tournament darkhorse ... Began career in Chicago, then moved on to the West Coast.

115 GRAN HAMADA (5'4", 195, 28, 181) Ageless veteran of the mat wars is every bit as quick and agile as many men half his age ... Long-time fan favorite of Michinoku Pro competed in this year's "Best Of The Super Junior" tournament for New Japan ... Helped to train his daughter, Ayako, who competes for Arsion ... His extensive travels helped him to blend many international styles ... His windup headbutt is feared by opponents ... Signature move is the jumping swinging DDT.



Takaiwa's DVD is terrific

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Stevie's career will Heat up

116 MARK HENRY (6'2", 413, 3, 191) "Sexual Chocolate" had an inconsistent year ... Was misled into believing he was dating a woman by Chyna on *Raw*, only to find out "she" was a "he" ... A knee injury set him back a few months ... He returned months later to form a formidable tag team with old pal D-Lo Brown ... His poetry almost won over Chyna ... He also wrote a beautiful poem for Owen Hart and read it the night after he was killed ... The WWF would like to see him drop a few pounds ... Still a little green when it comes to the basics of wrestling, but he usually overcomes that with his superior power.

117 STEVIE RAY (6'5", 265, 10, 203) The leader of the NWO black and white for much of the year ... Defended the WCW TV title for his injured brother, Booker T, but lost the title, many say, on purpose ... Basically just a mid-card singles wrestler who struggled when Harlem Heat broke up and his brother's career took off ... The bigger of the two brothers, but obviously not as strong in singles competition as Booker ... Now that the two have reconciled, look for his career to take a big turn for the better.

118 ERNEST MILLER (6'2", 235, 3, 158) "The Cat" has undergone quite a personality change, hasn't he? ... Now he's more worried about his James Brown-style dancing than his actual wrestling ... Currently feuding with Buff Bagwell ... Had a forgettable feud with Disco Inferno over, you guessed it, who is the better dancer ... Managed by Sonny Ono, who gets to carry Miller's magic red dancing shoes to ringside ... Too bad those shoes haven't helped him get close to any title ... A highly skilled martial artist who could make much better use of his karate background ... Once the shoes go on, look out!

119 VAMPIRO CANADIENSE (6'3", 235, 10, 199) ... This Canadian sensation is a former IWC heavyweight champion ... Wrestles in WCW as El Vampiro, but made his mark in Mexico and Japan ... A very dark-looking figure who at one time resembled the fictional crow character portrayed in the movies ... A skilled martial artist who also knows many submission holds and finishers ... Has not made a big impact yet in WCW, but he should start to do so now that he is part of The Dead Pool with Raven and The Insane Clown Posse ... Is also an accomplished musician.

120 GILLBERG (5'11", 237, 9, NL) Yes, he's still the WWF light heavyweight champion ... Oddly enough, he defends the title just about everywhere except the WWF ... Competes in Maryland Championship

Wrestling and other Mid-Atlantic independents ... Recently defeated obnoxious Earl the Pearl ... Real name is Duane Gill ... A former member of The J.O.B. Squad ... Remains an ally of The Blue Meanie in the independents.

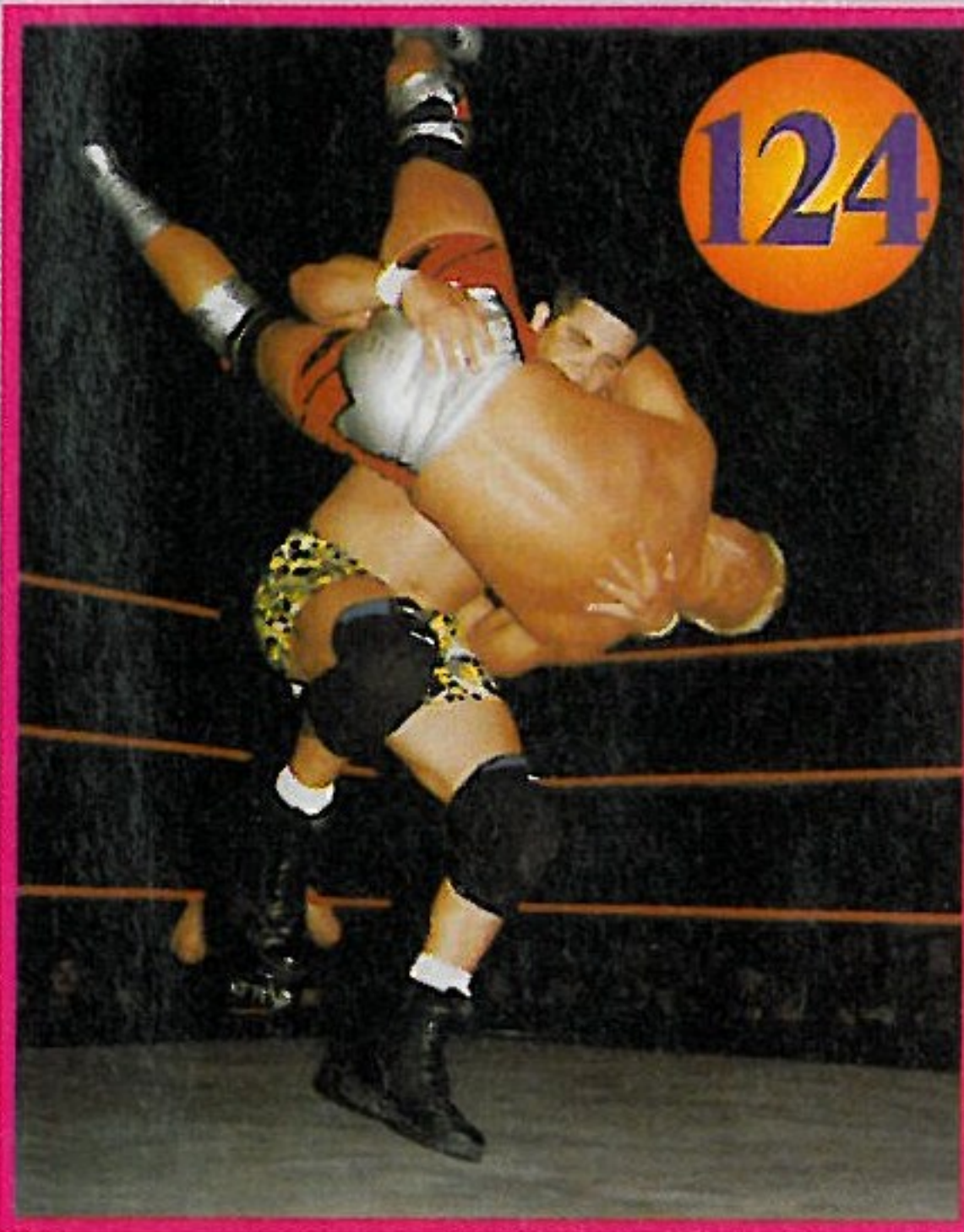
121 MAHONEY (6'2", 321, 7, 162) This chair-swingin' maniac is borderline insane ... Feud with Buh Buh Ray and D-Von Dudley reached its peak during the summer ... He and Spike Dudley are the reigning ECW World tag team champs ... Almost decapitated Steve Corino at Guilty as Charged with a chair shot ... Burned Dudleys' manager Joel Gertner at Hardcore Heaven, which set off his feud against the Dudley Boys ... Uses thumb-tacks, gasoline, and anything else he can get his hands on to beat opponents or to just punish himself ... Has had several epic battles for the ECW TV title with Rob Van Dam.

122 DICK TOGO (5'9", 222, 8, 131) Leader of Kaientai ... Left the WWF this year to return to competition in his native Japan ... Aligned himself with the upstart Osaka Pro group ... Immediately regained his status as a top rulebreaker when he ambushed Super Delphin and Masato Yakushiji ... Has extensive Lucha Libre experience ... Quite agile in spite of his stocky frame ... Famed for his crushing senton, which he delivers from the top tumbuckle.

123 JULIO SANCHEZ (6'2", 235, 6, 147) Has captured numerous light heavyweight titles in the Northeast ... Competes in Steel City, Pennsylvania Championship Wrestling, Independent Pro Wrestling, and NWA New Jersey ... Has wrestled in WCW and the WWF as well ... A capable high-flyer with considerable technical skills and extensive knowledge of the martial arts ... Finisher is the jumping sidekick.

124 CHAZ WARRINGTON (6', 243, 8, 126) The former Headbanger Mosh is now wrestling under his real name ... Wrestled as Beaver Cleavage for a few months before dumping the ridiculous name and gimmick ... Spent most of the year in the indies while partner Thrasher recovered from a knee injury ... Captured the Maryland Championship Wrestling heavyweight title from Romeo Valentino ... Still uses stage dive finisher to "mosh" opponents ... Accompanied to the ring by the former Mrs. Cleavage, Marianna.

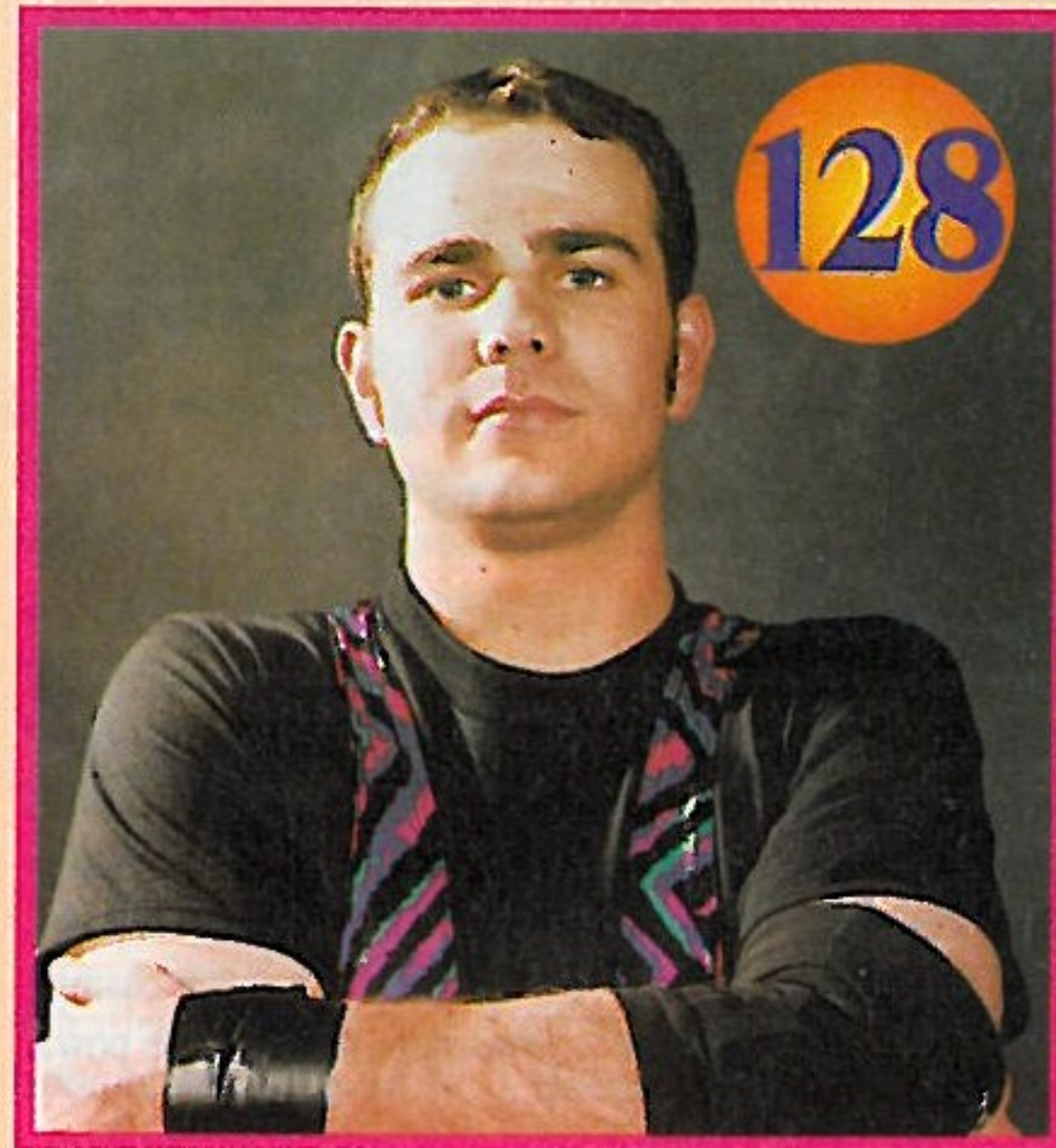
125 MENG (6', 294, 22, 227) Used to team regularly with The Barbarian to form one of the strongest teams in the history of the sport ... Hasn't been as active as he once was, but is still one the sport's most intimidating figures ... Probably nearing the end of his career, but will go down swinging ... Once competed in the WWF as Haku



Chaz played the name game

under the guidance of Bobby Heenan ... His Tongan death-grip brings opponents to their knees ... Did reasonably well during brief tours of New Japan this year.

126 SIMON DIAMOND (6'1", 225, 8, 118) Formerly known as Lance Diamond on the independent circuit ... Captured the PCW heavyweight title from 2 Cold Scorpio in May ... Continued his long-running feud with Cheetah Master in the ECWA when Cheetah came back from a serious knee injury to confront his former tag team partner ... Coaxed Michael Hayes out of retirement for two matches in PCW and the ECWA, but lost both ... Debuted in ECW in May, losing to Nova ... Has battled the likes of Lance Storm, Jerry Lynn, and Steve Corino so far ... Simon says the reviews of his ECW performance have been mixed so far.



Big jump for Quack!

127 SHOCKER (5'7", 185, 4, 268) This Luchadore toured with New Japan Pro Wrestling this year ... Competed in the prestigious "Top Of The Super Junior" tournament ... Has a variety of topes, huracanranas, and planchas in his arsenal ... Has held the EMLL tag team and NWA light heavyweight titles ... Awesome aerialist with solid mat skills.

128 MIKE QUACKENBUSH (6'1", 191, 8, 250) "Lightning" Mike turned heads at the "Break The Barrier" card en route to capturing the first Steel City Wrestling "Lord Of The Dance" title (a belt defended only in three-way dances) ... Fan favorite appears in more than a dozen states across the country, competing for countless independents ... Won the IWU lightweight title this year, along with the IPW light heavyweight title and the FWA championship ... Has held the SCW junior heavyweight title for more than a year now ... Sometimes teams with Don Montoya and Reckless Youth to form The Black T-shirt Squad ... Inventor of the devastating Quackendriver.

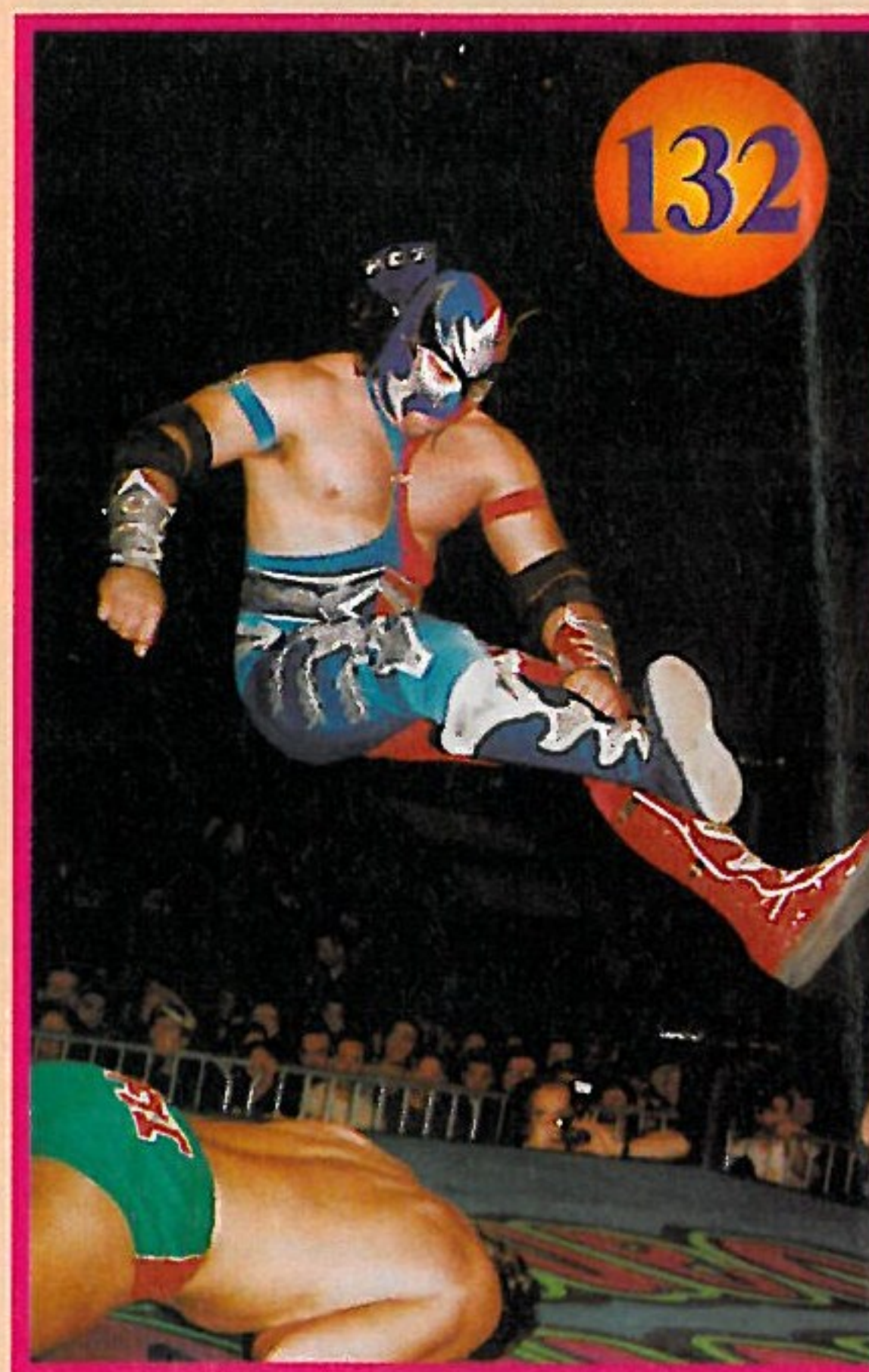
129 BARRY WINDHAM (6'5", 273, 19, 150) Career seemed to be over when he left the WWF quietly ... Resurfaced in WCW and quickly broke out of his slump when he and Curt Hennig won the World tag title tournament by beating Chris Benoit and Dean Malenko in the finals ... He, Hennig, brother Kendall, and Bobby Duncum Jr.—The West Texas Rednecks—have been waging war against Konnan, Rey Misterio Jr., and The No Limit Soldiers ... A former NWA heavyweight champion.

130 NWO STING (6', 251, 6, 151) This Sting impostor spends most of his time competing in New Japan ... Made a few appearances in WCW, mostly to antagonize the real Sting and to try to trick the fans ... Is better off in Japan, where the New World Order hasn't completely fallen apart ... Often teams with fellow NWO member Michael Wall Street.

131 MANABU NAKANISHI (6'1", 266, 5, 125) International star has wrestled on four continents, sometimes as Kurasawa ... Former IWGP tag team champion with Satoshi Kojima ... Having moderate success with new partner Yuji Nagata ... Involved in a long-running feud with Hiroyoshi Tenzan ... Destined for greatness in the singles ranks of New Japan ... Best remembered for breaking Road Warrior Hawk's arm during his stay in the States ... Loves to make opponents submit to his Argentinian back-breaker.

132 ANTIFAZ DEL NORTE (6', 205, 6, NL) One of the top stars on the Mexican independent circuit ... A main-event executes for a Monterrey-based promotion that is run by his mother ... Wrestles periodically for ECW, where he has garnered respect from the hardened, bloodthirsty fans ... Feuded with Super Crazy and Mosco de la Merced in Mexico ... Uses a running flip plancha with great finesse.

133 CHRIS CANDIDO (5'8", 226, 9, 45) "No Gimmicks Needed" had an up-and-down year ... Always accompanied to the ring by the lovely Tammy Lynn Sytch ... Mysterious disappearance from ECW last year left many fans wondering where he'd turn up next ... He and Tammy returned to ECW to feud with Taz ... Lost convincingly to Taz at Hardcore Heaven ... Formed an alliance with Steve Corino ... Is once again out of ECW ... Briefly held the ISPW heavyweight championship this summer.



Antifaz gets a leg up on Guido

134 KAZ HAYASHI (5'8", 171, 7, 160) Young Japanese high-flyer has struggled since arriving in WCW ... Briefly pursued the WCW tag team title with Van Hammer ... Paid a giant sum to acquire Glacier's battle armor, which he now wears to the ring ... Former star of Michinoku Pro, where he was the masked Shiryu in Kaientai ... Has extensive experience in Mexico ... Had several spectacular matches this year with the likes of Juventud Guerrera and Rey Misterio Jr. ... Uses a number of unusual holds to subdue opponents, including a dragon suplex floated into a *wakitagamae* crossface submission.

135 TIGER MASK IV (5'7", 173, 9, 140) Student of the original Tiger Mask, this incarnation of the popular character has been competing under the mask since 1994 ... Has faced his mentor in a number of tough

bouts this year ... Frequent tag team partner of The Great Sasuke ... Unmasked his evil double, The Masked Tiger, at the end of their feud ... A superb aerialist and submission expert ... Mainstay of Michinoku Pro appeared in both UFO and All-Japan this year ... Has a gorgeous flying headbutt in his arsenal, but usually puts opponents away with the Tiger suplex.

136 ULTIMO GUERRERO (6', 200, 6, NL) This young prospect is turning heads in EMLL ... Combines high-flying acrobatic ability with quickness and agility inside the ring ... Feuded for most of the year with Mr. Aguila.

137 FLASH FLANAGAN (6'2", 235, 7, 122) Left Music City Wrestling earlier in the year ... Has become a fixture in several Northeast independents, including NWA New Jersey, the ECWA, and PCW ... Current PCW tag team champion along with Glen Osbourne ... Won the PCW Americas title by defeating Ace Darling ... Former tag team partner of Wolfie D ... Also feuded with Wolfie in several bloody matches.

138 STEVE BLACKMAN (6'1", 245, 13, 109) "The Lethal Weapon" had a rather unlethal year, but has shown some spark against Ken Shamrock of late ... Was involved in a three-way feud with Dan Severn and Shamrock over who was the best hybrid fighter in the WWF ... No conclusion was ever reached because of various injuries to all three men ... Was then inactive for the better part of the late-winter and spring ... Returned to the WWF carrying a kendo stick and a more aggressive attitude ... Was hired by the McMahons to take out Shamrock ... Hasn't gotten the job done yet, but he has injured Shamrock several times.

139 MICK SEGURA (5'10", 200, 6, NL) Wrestles for Grupo Revolucion in Mexico ... A borderline suicidal wrestler who executes flying moves that go beyond description ... Puts his body on the line every time his feet leave the floor ... Loves to use topes, dives, and planchas to the arena floor ... Feuded with Dr. Cerebo for most of the year.

140 MEAT (6'4", 242, 2, 202) Wrestled under his real name, Shawn Stasiak, before joining the WWF full-time ... The son of former WWF champion Stan Stasiak ... Is managed by Terri Runnels and Jacquelyn ... Is starting to make an impact in the WWF, but he doesn't seem to be getting along with his two lady friends too well ... Was Jerry Lawler's arch-rival in Power Pro Wrestling for several months ... Tried to kidnap Lawler's girlfriend, Stacy Carter ... This native Canadian has also wrestled in independents such as PCW and the ECWA.

141 JOHNNY SMITH (6', 235, 17, 205) Mainstay of All-Japan is a mat wizard ... Trained in the classic European style, but has adjusted very well to the Japanese style ... Prefers to compete in tag team matches ... He and partner Wolf Hawkfield captured the All-Asian tag title last year ... Only occasionally appears in North America, usually in ECW or the independents.

142 DROZ (6'2", 268, 2, 179) Known as Puke when he was a member of The Legion of Doom ... Was exposed as the one who drove Hawk over the edge, and he subsequently feuded with Hawk ... Has now aligned himself with Prince Albert, his personal tattoo artist and piercer, in a

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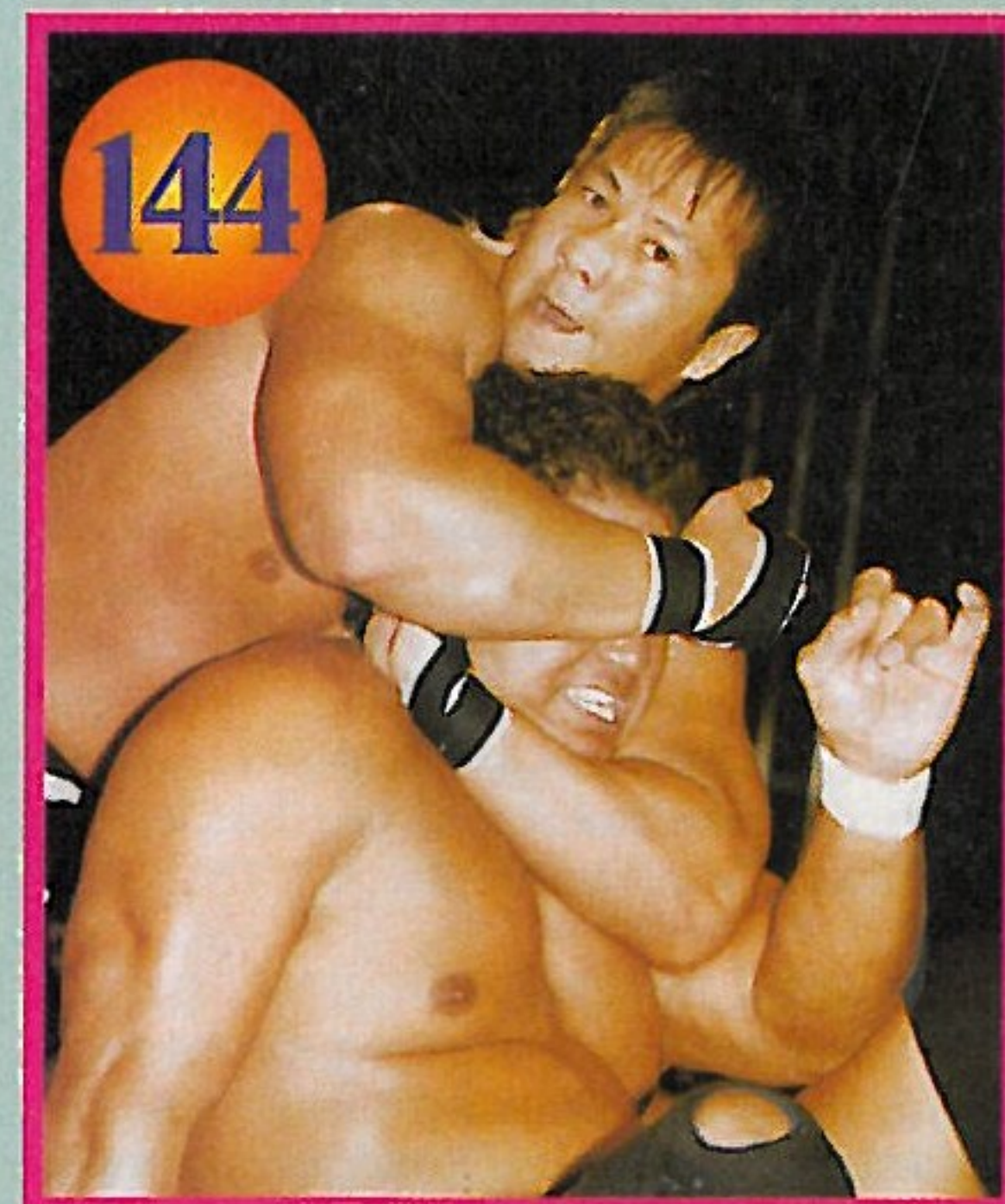
Blackman is a vicious man

feud with Val Venis and The Godfather ... Most notorious move this year was piercing Val Venis' nose on *Raw Is War* ... Likes to cross-dress, and often wears skirts and fishnet stockings to the ring.

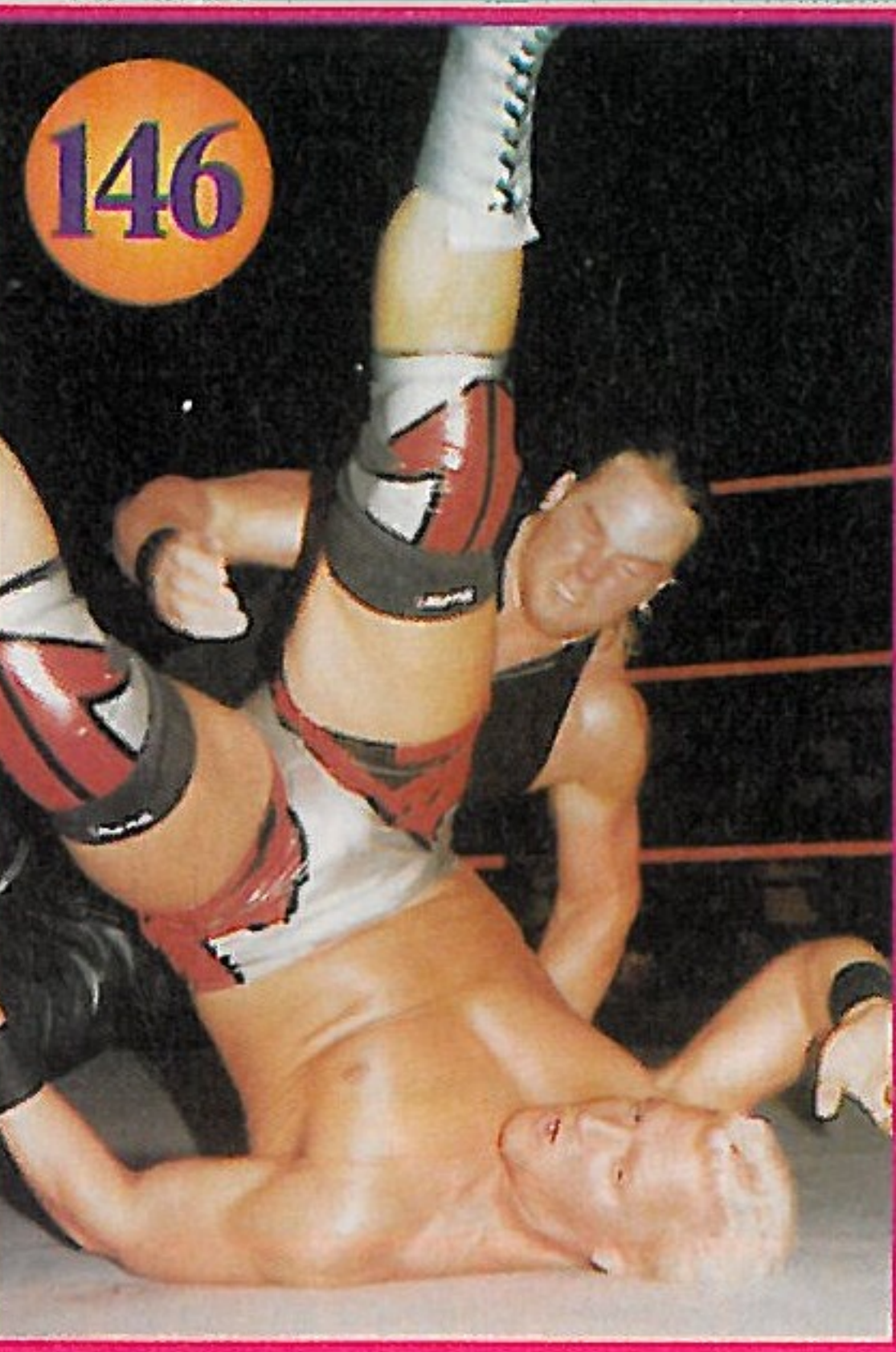
143 WOLF HAWKFIELD (6'5", 242, 5, NL) Once known as Jim Steele in the States, he vanished for several months before turning up in All-Japan Pro Wrestling ... Occasional tag team partner of Johnny Smith (they held the All-Asian tag title briefly in 1998) ... Towers over most All-Japan regulars, but is surprisingly agile for his size ... New persona is based on a popular wrestling character from the Virtual Fighter video games ... Struggles in singles matches ... Power wrestler who likes to disorient opponents with his giant swing submission hold.

144 SATOSHI KOJIMA (6', 243, 8, 130) Fans can't figure out this charismatic young star ... Switched his alliances a number of times this year ... A future superstar in New Japan's heavyweight division ... Once formed a very successful tag team with Manabu Nakanishi and held the IWGP tag title with him ... Favorite move is the rydeen bomb, a spinebuster converted into a power bomb ... Also won the tag team title with Hiroyoshi Tenzan.

145 JERRY ESTRADA (5'10", 220, 22, 75) Arguably the most underrated wrestler in Mexico ... Wrestles in AAA now ... Held a slew of titles over his 20-plus-year career ... Experienced brawler with good mat skills.



Kojima seems confused



Test has graded out well

146 TEST (6'7", 302, 2, NL) This young star entered the WWF earlier this year after spending several months in the WWF dojo ... Was once aligned with The Corporation and then The Union ... Asked Stephanie McMahon out on a date and she happily accepted ... That's where his trouble with The Mean Street Posse began ... Now embroiled in a feud with Joey Abs, Stephanie's former admirer and Shane McMahon's friend ... Has great size and tons of potential.

147 GLEN OSBOURNE (6'1", 258, 10, 128) This young veteran has been a mainstay on the Northeast independent scene ... Uses his powerful frame to easily handle smaller opponents ... Has become a fan favorite in several promotions, including the ECWA and PCW ... Feuded with Brute Force in ECWA this year ... Currently holds the PCW tag team title with Flash Flanagan.

148 ZUMBIDO (5'9", 200, 5, NL) This young Luchadore came into his own this past year ... Briefly feuded with Negro Casas ... Wrestles mainly in EMLL.

149 AXL ROTTEN (6'2", 278, 11, 139) Formed a bizarre hardcore, chair-swinging team with Mahoney in ECW ... Feuded with the Dudleys ... Never afraid to spill some of his own blood ... Left ECW in May, but has since returned ... A fixture in Maryland Championship Wrestling, where he has formed The Family of Freaks ... Feuding with Tom Brandi's MCW group over who is the real Maryland indy icon ... Has been involved in numerous barbed-wire baseball matches over the years.

150 JIMMY CICERO (6'1", 245, 7, 194) Holds the Maryland Championship Wrestling tag team title with Romeo Valentino ... Danny Rose and The Bruiser are their top rivals ... Also teams with Cueball Carmichael ... Sometimes managed by Vinnie Gambini ... Member of Steel City's High Society, led by Tom Brandi ... Competes in several other promotions along the East Coast, including the IPWA and SCW ... Has wrestled in the WWF.

151 JINSEI SHINZAKI (5'11", 212, 6, 146) Long-time partner of Hayabusa now competes on his own for All-Japan Pro Wrestling ... Still a regular in Michinoku Pro ... Competed as Hakushi when he worked for the WWF ... Surprisingly powerful grappler given his size ... Didn't fare well in this year's "Champions Carnival"

tournament ... Has had his share of bloodbaths, but now prefers to engage in more traditional matches ... Likes to finish opponents with his praying power bomb.

152 MR. NIEBLA (5'9", 175, 7, 161) Split his time this year between EMLL and Grupo Revolucion ... Former CMLL tag team champ with Shocker ... Prefers to finish off opponents with a standing figure-four leglock that he calls "The Nieblina" ... Is a typical Luchadore in terms of style. He can go to the air when needed, but he is also an above-average mat technician.

153 RODDY PIPER (6'2", 247, 25, 142) The "Rowdy Scot" is still crazy after all these years, and even more so now that he's aligned himself with Ric Flair in WCW ... Was WCW vice president under Ric Flair ... Won the U.S. title from Bret Hart earlier this year, only to lose it to Scott Hall ... Feuded with Flair before Flair named him VP ... Currently feuding with some of the younger wrestlers in WCW.

154 BRIAN CHRISTOPHER (5'10", 230, 11, 86) Forms the tag team known now as Too Cool, formerly Too Much, along with Scott Taylor ... Briefly became the seconds to The Disciples of Apocalypse ... New Too Cool image has Brian sporting a new hair cut and a more '90s wardrobe of baggy jeans ... His relationship with Jerry Lawler is still being debated ... Could be in store for a breakout year with partner Taylor, as the abilities are there ... Very cocky ... Currently recovering from surgery to repair a torn ACL.

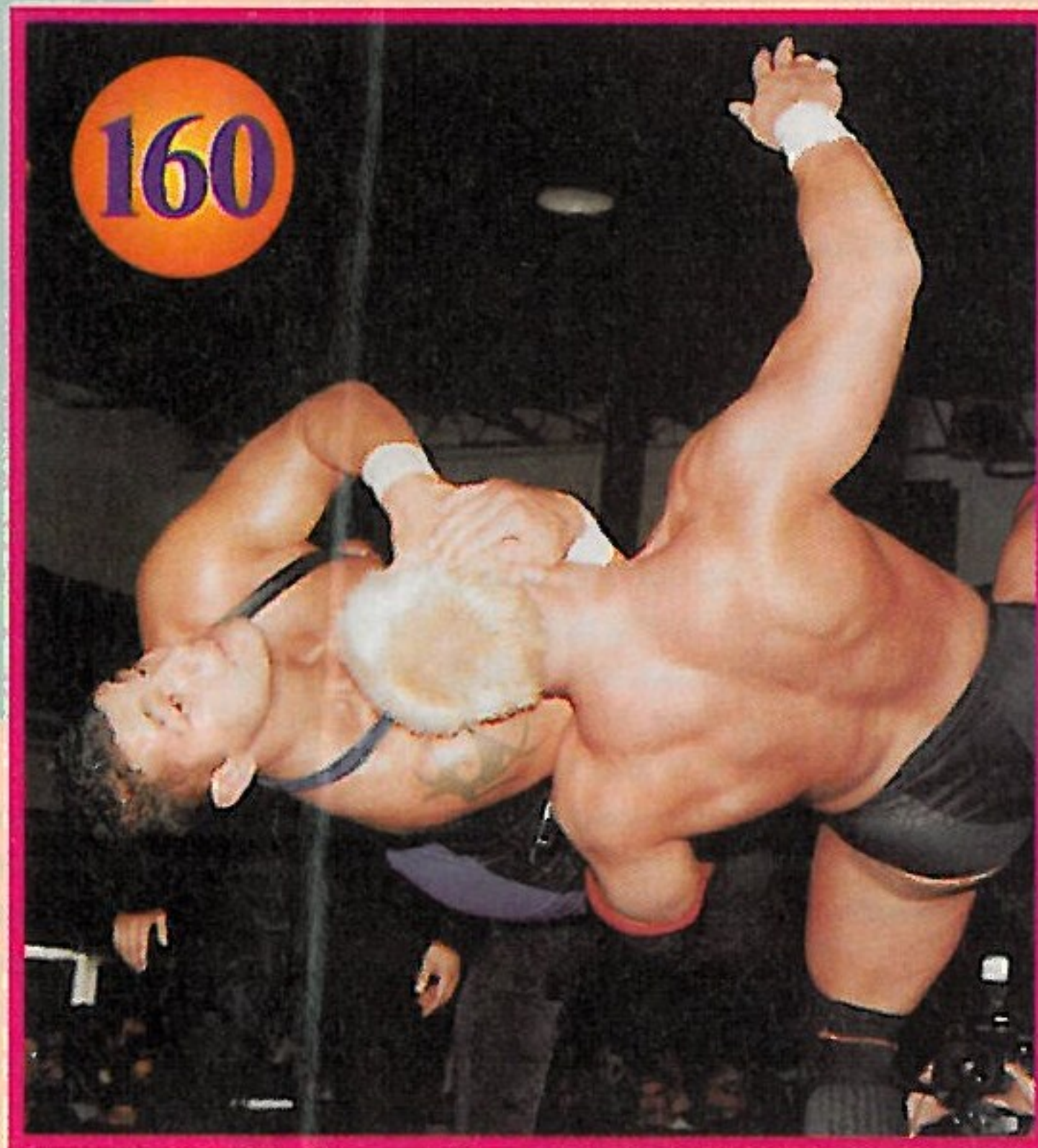
155 MIDIAN (6'1", 246, 9, 220) This former WWF World tag champ has undergone a demonic change since his days as a Godwinn ... Being The Undertaker's minion sure does beat farm work ... Was inducted into the Ministry with a public bloodletting thanks to "Taker and crew ... Carried an eye around with him for a while for no apparent reason ... Then he carried the WWF European belt around in much the same fashion ... This strange moniker only adds to his deadly arsenal.

156 BART GUNN (6'4", 256, 7, 152) After the "Brawl For All," his career seemed to be on the rise ... Ended up going to All-Japan after his victory, then



Midian is a strange character

returned to the WWF in the winter ... Was attacked by a masked Steve Williams on *Raw* and pushed off the rampway ... Battled former partner Hardcore Holly in a hardcore title match on *Raw* but lost ... Was knocked out cold by Butterbean at WrestleMania ... Insiders predict a career change for Bart, as he has talked about entering the professional boxing field ... Currently competing in All-Japan, where he and Johnny Ace recently lost the International tag team title.



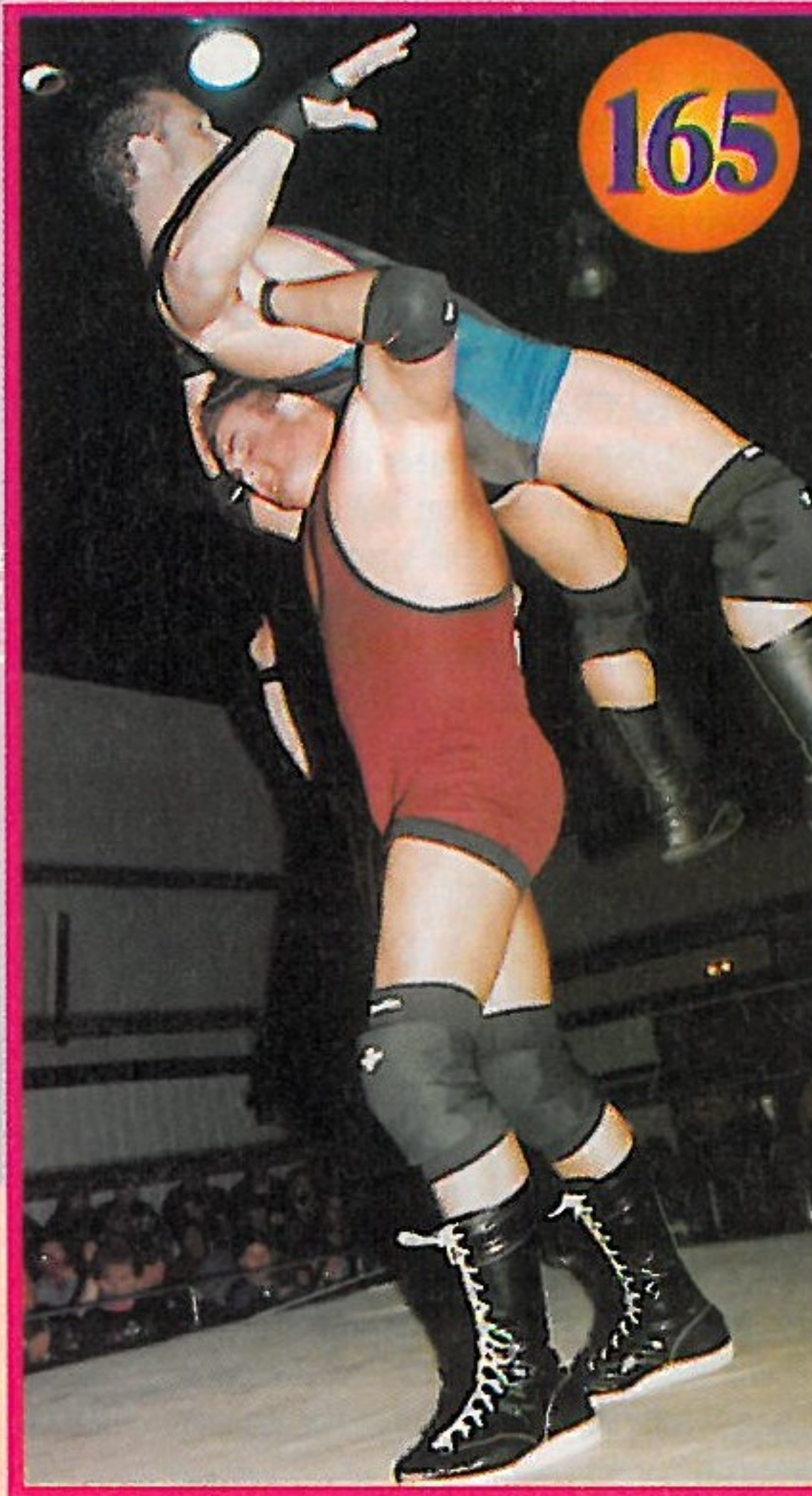
Chetti likes living "La Vida Loca"

157 NEW JACK (6', 225, 7, 154) This former Gangsta stands alone now in ECW, where he occasionally still wrestles ... Feuded with former partner Mr. Mustafa this year before running him out of ECW ... Teamed with Spike Dudley for many memorable brawls with the other Dudleys ... Wildest move was his dive from the balcony at Living Dangerously ... Was found not guilty of all charges in the notorious Erich Kulas case ... Still one of the toughest men in wrestling, but needs something—or someone—to focus on.

158 JERRY LAWLER (6', 234, 29, 136) "The King" is now better known for his witty one-liners than his stiff clotheslines ... A part-time wrestler in Power Pro Wrestling and Music City Wrestling ... Legendary battle with comedian Andy Kaufman will soon be portrayed in the movie *Man On The Moon*, in which he plays himself ... Had an off-screen run-in with actor Jim Carrey during the shooting of the movie ... A very good television personality, which will be useful in his Memphis mayoral bid.

159 FUERZA GUERRERA (5'5", 175, 21, 171) This veteran wrestler is still one of the best in Mexico ... Known as one of the best trainers of young Mexican talent ... Spent the year wrestling for AAA ... His skills and great ring presence were obviously passed down to his son, Juventud Guerrera ... Has held numerous titles throughout Mexico during his career.

160 CHRIS CHETTI (5'10", 227, 3, 175) This ECW youngster is climbing steadily ... Currently teaming with Nova ... The two have received several ECW tag title shots but have yet to capture ECW gold ... A very agile athlete ... Has recently been spotted dancing to Ricky Martin's "La Vida Loca" during matches instead of concentrating on the task at hand ... Might be having a personality conflict ... A fine amateur wrestler ... A cousin of Taz, but you wouldn't figure that out by looking at the feather boa around his neck.



Bradley draws comparisons to "Mr. PPV"

161 SCOTT TAYLOR (6', 203, 10, 143) A member of Too Much with Brian Christopher ... Feuded with The Disciples of Apocalypse, the Hardys, and the Legion of Doom ... Wrestles almost exclusively in tag teams these days ... Recently underwent an identity change, wearing more street-wise attire and calling themselves Too Cool ... "Too Hot" Scott wrestled in the WWF's light heavyweight tournament, but didn't advance far.

162 TOMMY DREAMER (6'3", 245, 10, 100) The new "Franchise" of ECW is the defender of the ECW faithful ... Joined The Triple Threat to aid Shane Douglas in his war with Justin Credible and Lance Storm ... Began feuding with Storm when he reintroduced his manager, Dawn Marie, as Beulah ... Lost a hard-fought weapons match to Storm at Hardcore Heaven ... Has defeated Steve Corino several times since ... Back injuries suffered at the hands of Storm have left him on the sidelines in recent months.

163 SHOICHI FUNAKI (5'8", 192, 9, 172) Remains in the WWF, even without his fellow Kaientai members, but hasn't had much success there ... Occasionally reprises his Dream Chasers tag team with Taka Michinoku ... Frequently appears in Mexico and Puerto Rico ... Has a background in full-contact combat arts ... Had solid matches this year against the Hardys and Negro Casas ... Has wrestled for New Japan, FMW, Michinoku Pro, and a host of other Japanese independent groups ... Uses all kinds of holds to subdue opponents, many of which are variations on the basic prawn hold, which he converts into a leglock submission.

164 EMILIO CHARLES JR. (5'8", 210, 19, 183) Has enjoyed his first year as a *tecnico* after competing for several years as a *rudo* ... Dangerous brawler ... Still feuding with former tag team partner Dr. Wagner Jr. ... A second-generation star ... Has held several midleweight, trios, and tag team titles in Mexico.

165 STEVE BRADLEY (6'3", 235, 4, NL) This young aerialist is a WWF dojo graduate who wrestles mainly in Power Pro Wrestling ... Was a last-

minute replacement for Reckless Youth in the ECWA's Super 8 tournament and went on to win the event, defeating Christopher Daniels in the finals ... Style and physique remind some of Rob Van Dam ... Can execute moonsaults, planchas, and dropkicks from many different positions.

166 LASH LeROUX (5'10", 215, 1, NL) This youngster is starting to make a name for himself in WCW ... A graduate of WCW's Power Plant ... His finishing move combination is something to see. It's a swinging fireman's carry turned into a Michinoku driver ... Has the potential to reach the top of the cruiserweight division within a year or two.

167 GARY ALBRIGHT (6'4", 332, 12, 166) Rugged mat wrestler has scaled back his appearances with All-Japan Pro Wrestling, which has been his home for many years ... Extensive background in submission wrestling hasn't helped him garner any title shots this year ... Arsenal features some of the sport's most dangerous suplexes, including his rolling dragon suplex ... Struggled to make an impact in the Champion's Carnival this year ... Fans are clamoring for a rematch of the Albright-Vader bout they had during their days in the now-defunct UWF (both are now with All-Japan).

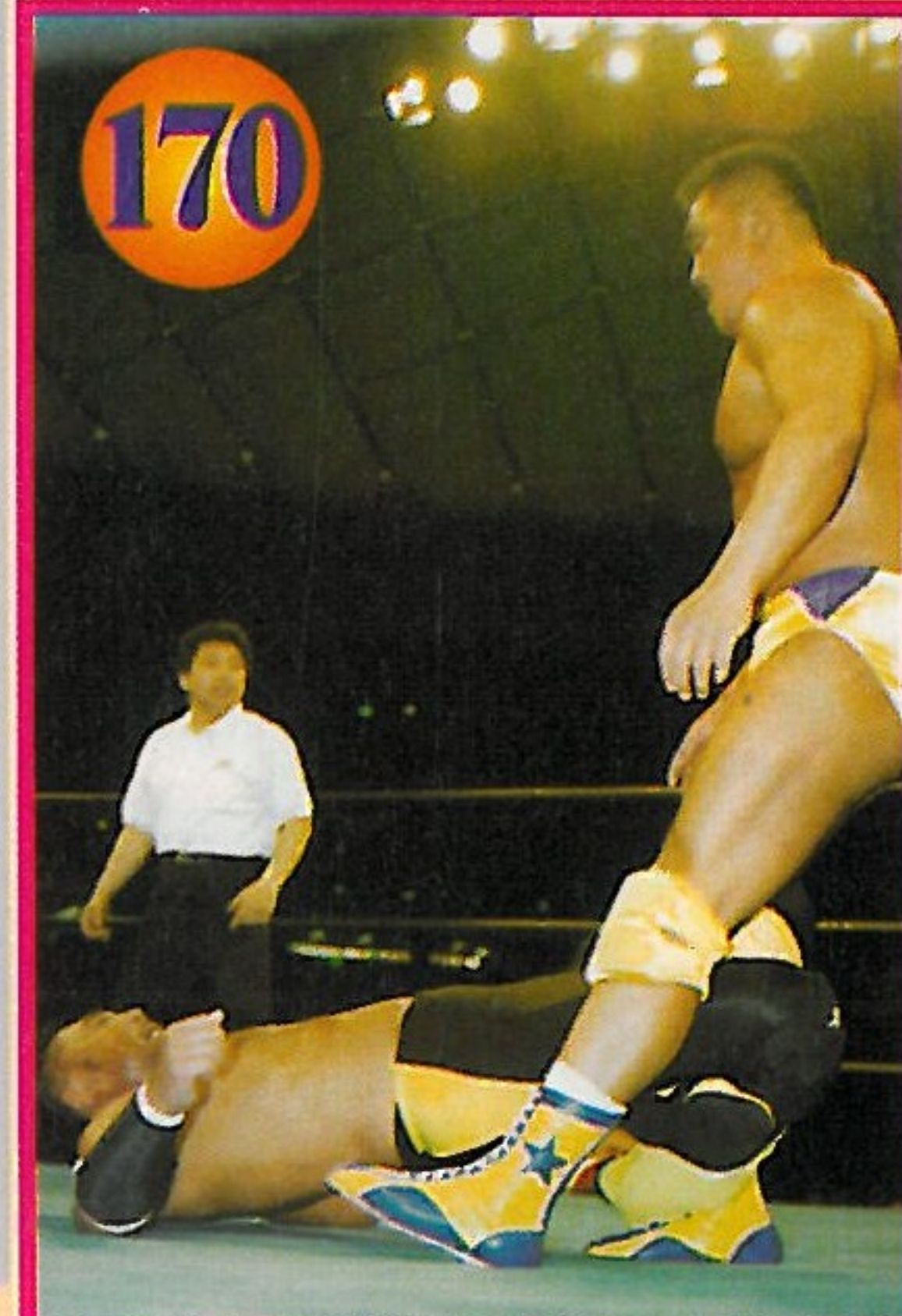
168 PRINCE ALBERT (6'6", 340, 2, NL) This piercing prodigy has aligned himself with Droz in the WWF ... Showed how vicious he can be when he tried to pierce one of The Godfather's ladies' tongue, as well as piercing Val Venis' nose ... Those moves didn't endear him to Venis and Godfather, who are now his most hated rivals ... Competed as Baldo in Power Pro Wrestling earlier this year.

169 APOLO DANTES (6', 230, 11, 229) This grizzled veteran is still one of the top stars in Mexico ... Plies his trade in EMLL ... Regularly teams with Cien Caras and The Dynamite Brothers ... Former CMLL heavyweight champion ... Son on Mexican legend Alfonso Dantes.

170 HIROSHI HASE (5'11", 226, 14, 153) A nagging leg injury keeps this former superstar for New Japan from competing regularly ... When he does



Prince Albert has a piercing problem



Hase keeps active in the political ring, too

wrestle nowadays, it's for All-Japan Pro Wrestling ... Tested Toshiaki Kawada in his toughest match of the year ... Despite his relative inactivity, he is in remarkably good shape ... Maintains an active political career away from the ring ... Great scientific grappler who's famed for his beautiful suplexes and judo throws ... Favorite hold remains the northern lights suplex.

171 VILLANO V (5'8", 215, 16, 261) A regular competitor in WCW who hasn't accomplished much in the U.S. ... Often finds himself in matches against his fellow Luchadores ... Has never seriously challenged for the WCW cruiserweight championship ... Has held numerous tag team and trios titles in Mexico.

172 MAUNKEA MOSSMAN (6'1", 240, 5, 115) Young sensation in All-Japan Pro Wrestling found his niche in the singles division this year ... His extensive background in amateur wrestling has served him well since he turned pro ... Dropped from the junior heavyweight ranks so he could concentrate on wrestling heavyweights ... Possesses a crushing finisher in the form of his Hawaiian crunch superplex ... Native of Honolulu.

173 MR. AGUILA (5'7 1/2", 170, 2, 84) Rose to international prominence as a promising light heavyweight in the WWF, where he competes as Papi Chulo ... Still regularly competes for the WWF, but mostly on the *Superastros* show ... Young flyer hasn't found much success in his homeland recently, either ... Stuck in EMLL's mid-card group ... Showed some promise in his feud with Ultimo Guerrero.

174 DEVON STORM (6'2", 236, 7, 98) It's been a transition year for Storm, who dyed his hair black and started using a more aggressive style ... Has been at the top of the East Coast independent heap for several years ... Has held a slew of regional singles and tag team titles with partner Ace Darling ... Participated in all three of ECWA's Super 8 tournaments ... Has wrestled in the past for WCW, WWF, and ECW ... Recently signed with WCW.

175 DON FRYE (6', 233, 2, NL) This former Ultimate Fighting Championship competitor and shootfighter now regularly competes in New Japan ... Is a member of Masa Chono's Chono 2000 group ... Took IWGP champ Keiji Muto to the limit but couldn't defeat him ... Uses the *jijigatamae* ambar to finish off his opponents.



Smiley needs to wiggle into the title scene

176 DOUG GILBERT (6'2", 241, 13, 207) The NWA National champion ... Has spent much of his time in NWA Mid-South this year, where he has teamed with CWF champ Tombstone ... Rated ninth in *Wrestling Superstars*' "Hardcore Heroes" rankings (October 1999 issue) ... Son of Tommy Gilbert and younger brother of the late Eddie Gilbert ... Uses the Michinoku driver as his finisher.

177 NORMAN SMILEY (6'2", 238, 14, NL) The master of the "big wiggle" didn't have a great year ... Spent several months climbing the mid-card ladder, only to wiggle his way back down to the basement ... A superb mat technician ... This London native has spent most of his career in Japan and Mexico ... Despite his technical proficiency, has only won three titles in his career: the CMLL heavyweight, Global Wrestling TV, and Independent Pro Wrestling Association tag title.

178 SCORPIO JR. (6", 230, 4, NL) This EMLL competitor teams with Bestia Salvaje ... Together, he and Salvaje are embroiled in a bloody feud with Negro Casas and El Hijo del Santo ... Lost his mask to Casas and Santo in a tag team match this year ... A power wrestler who is deceptively agile for a man of his size.

179 VAN HAMMER (6'8", 320, 9, 173) Has undergone several personality changes throughout the year ... An unsuccessful stint in The Flock led him to pursue a singles career ... Tried his hand as a hippie for a while, but that gimmick got him nowhere ... Is young enough and strong enough to still make a mark in this sport.

180 MEN'S TEOH (5'8", 196, 8, 159) Languished in the WWF before returning to Michinoku Pro and the Japanese independent scene this year ... Young Japanese star embraces the American style of wrestling ... Sometimes called "Terry Boy," in tribute to his hero, Terry Funk ... This rulebreaking member of Kaientai is now a fan favorite overseas ... Easy to spot with his brightly dyed hair ... Likes to pin opponents with his miracle ecstasy, a choke-slam/power bomb combination.

181 CHRISTIAN YORK (5'10", 218, 2, 352) Arch-rival of Joey Matthews ... Has held the light heavyweight title of Maryland Championship Wrestling, the International Pro Wrestling Alliance, and Southern Championship Wrestling, among others ... Has fared well against heavyweights like Cueball Carmichael and Jimmy Cicero ... Uses the moonsault to finish off opponents ... Recently signed with WCW.

182 DR. CEREBO (6', 200, 4, NL) This masked wrestler is a main-event star for Grupo Revolucion ... Recently became a *rudo* after many years as a *tecnico* ... Most noteworthy feud this year was against Micke Segura ... Former IWRG welterweight champion ... Briefly feuded with Pierroth Jr., one of the most hated wrestlers in Mexico.



Hammer gave up on peace

183 KODO FUYUKI (5'10", 258, 7, NL) Top rule-breaker in FMW for more than a year ... Led partners Gedo and Jado to a number of six-man titles before committing to a singles schedule ... Chief rival of Hayabusa, even though the two teamed briefly during the past year ... Loudmouthed member of Team No Respect ... Power moves are the staples of this big man's arsenal ... Has no regard for the conventions of *puroresu* and has often been spotted dancing in his underwear before matches.

184 WOLFIE D (6'1", 215, 8, 149) Formerly a member of PG-13 with J.C. Ice, he has spent most of the year in singles competition ... A former Music City North American champ ... Competes in the South, Ohio, West Virginia, and occasionally in ECW ... Has feuded with Flash Flanagan and Mabel (Viscera).

185 STEVIE RICHARDS (6'2", 227, 7, 344) Recovered nicely from neck surgery and regained his spot as one of the best

independent wrestlers on the East Coast ... Many noticed, including the WWF, which recently signed him to a contract ... Spent most of the year competing in independents in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, and Delaware ... Still relies upon his Stevie-kick to finish off opponents ... Has a weird habit of stripping off his cutoff jean shorts when he's mad and competing in just his underwear.

186 VISCERA (6'10", 503, 7, 336) The former King Mabel was a member of the WWF's Corporate Ministry for much of the year and spent a lot of his time feuding with members of The Union ... The WWF's 1995 King of the Ring, as well as a former WWF World tag team champ as one-half of Men on a Mission ... A huge man who has always been able to use his distinct size advantage to full advantage ... WWF future is uncertain now that The Corporate Ministry has disbanded.

187 ORIENTAL (5'9", 190, 9, NL) This EMLL star is perhaps the quickest wrestler in Mexico ... Incredibly agile ... Used to compete as a mini wrestler, but now he's wrestling in the regular, non-mini division.

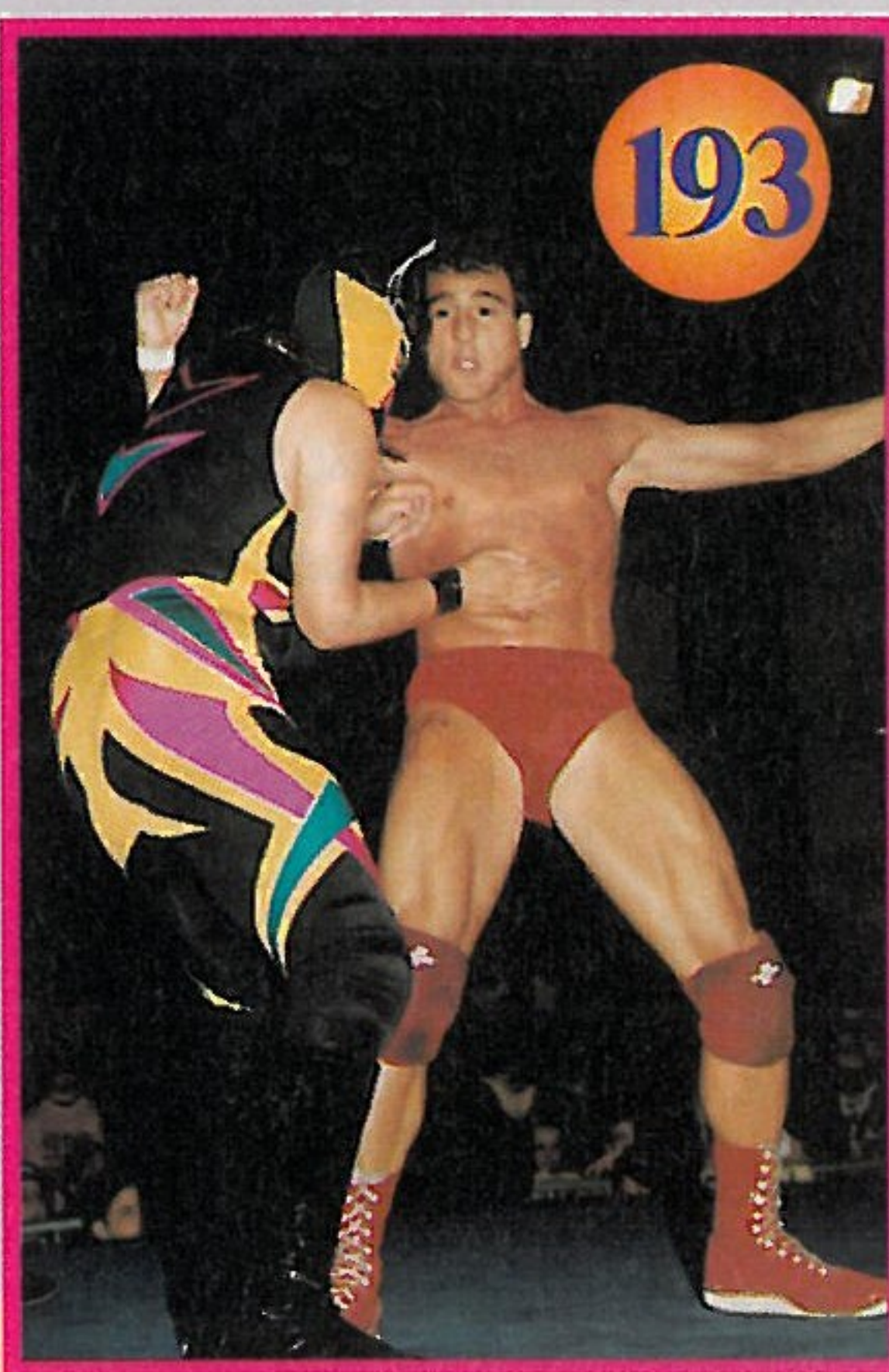
188 LENNY LANE (5'10", 212, 4, NL) Enjoys an all-too-close relationship with Lodi, a man he now claims is his brother ... Considered longshots to capture the WCW World tag team title ... Favorite lollipop flavor is grape ... Feuded with Scotty Zappa throughout the Midwest ... Had a classic match against 2 Cold Scorpio in Wisconsin ... Occasionally managed by Mortimer Plumbtree while in Minnesota.

189 PRINCE IAUKEA (5'11", 219, 3, 117) Still hasn't regained that first year magic he had when he captured the WCW TV title ... Skills are still evident every time he wrestles ... Seems almost lethargic at times ... Likes to incorporate high-flying moves into his arsenal ... Needs a personality facelift to revive his sagging career, one that had such promise when he was voted *PWT*'s Rookie of the Year for 1997.

190 BRIAN KNOBS (6'1", 295, 12, 274) After being out of the national spotlight for several years, has resurfaced in WCW under the guidance of Jimmy Hart ... Seems to enjoy wrestling in WCW's new hardcore division ... A former member of The Nasty Boys with Jerry Sags ... Together they won both the WWF and WCW tag team titles.



York hopes to impress in WCW



Guido has full-blooded intensity

191 CHARLY MANSON (5'10", 195, 1, NL) A member of the *rudo* clique Los Vatos Locos ... With the other Vatos, held the National Atomicos (eight-man tag) title earlier this year ... A daredevil in the ring, he likes to fly to the outside with a series of topes and planchas ... The feud between Los Vatos Locos and Los Vipers has been one of the hottest in Mexico over the past two years.

192 THE BARBARIAN (6'5", 295, 18, 176) One of the toughest men in the sport ... A former tag team partner of another legit tough man, Meng ... Still competing in WCW, but his best days are behind him ... At one time, his flying headbutt was a lethal finisher ... Has slowed down considerably in recent years ... Managed by Paul Jones and Jimmy Hart at various points of his career.

193 LITTLE GUIDO (5'9", 201, 8, 215) A member of the Full-Blooded Italians in ECW, along with Sal E. Graziano ... Finally got a chance to show off his wrestling skills after Tracey Smothers left the group and Guido began wrestling singles matches ... Put up a great fight in a losing effort against Yoshihiro Tajiri at Hardcore Heaven ... Has won over fans with his recent bouts against the likes of Tajiri, Super Crazy, and Mosco de la Merced ... Was a very accomplished amateur wrestler as a youngster, so his rise was no surprise to those who knew him.

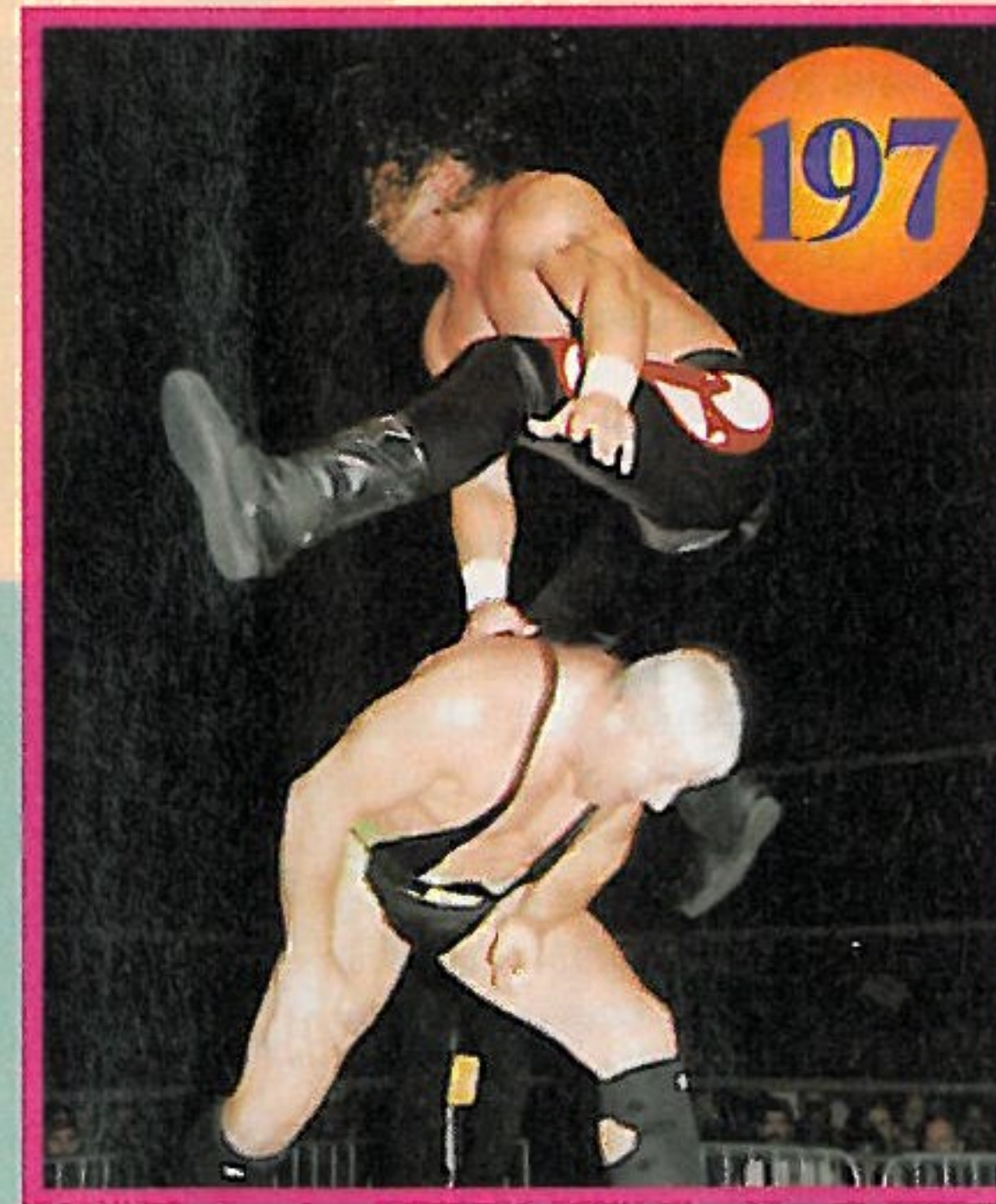
194 STEVE WILLIAMS (6'2", 271, 16, 116) Returned to the WWF after recovering from a knee injury suffered during a "Brawl For All" bout with Bart Gunn ... Came back sporting a new look in which he wore a Kabuki mask ... Pushed Gunn off the rampway onto the floor ... Later ditched the mask and became Jim Ross' personal bodyguard ... Won several handicap matches ... Was unable to rebuild his tough guy persona that was so instrumental in his climb to success in All-Japan ... Was let go by the WWF in April ... Will undoubtedly resurface in Japan.

195 HUGH MORRIS (5'10", 330, 9, 163) "The Laughing Man" doesn't seem to be so happy anymore ... Has been reduced to opening-match status in WCW ... Decent mat skills, a rugged disposition, and surprising aerial skills make him one of wrestling's more underrated competitors ... Can wrestle smaller guys or slug it out with the big boys ... Wrestled in Northeast independents at the beginning of his career ... Still managed by Jimmy Hart.

196 GRAN NANIWA (5'7", 194, 5, 198) Originally left Michinoku Pro for greener pastures in Osaka Pro, but eventually returned ... Has appeared in All-Japan and BattleArts in the past year ... Spent some time in Mexico with Ultimo Dragon's Toryumon ... Wears a crab mask, and occasionally sports a pair of giant crab claws ... Struggles in singles, but excels in six-man and eight-man tag team matches ... Nagging ankle and foot injuries have slowed this rising star down a bit ... Pet move is the spinning doctor bomb.

197 SCOTTY RIGGS (6', 222, 7, 233) A former WCW tag team champion with Buff Bagwell and a former member of Raven's Flock ... They seem to have the same fate as most tag teams: When the team breaks up, one member's career skyrockets (Buff), while the other's fizzles (Riggs) ... Now doing an egotistical male routine, something that seems to fit this good-looking athlete ... Feuded with Raven after the breakup of The Flock but wasn't able to beat him ... A solid competitor who can't seem to find his niche.

198 MASATO YAKUSHIJI (5'5", 159, 6, 246) Exciting youngster continues to amaze fans of Osaka Pro Wrestling ... Regular tag team partner of Naohiro Hoshikawa ... The two men have had great success together ... Trained by Dick Togo ... Starting to make a name for himself as a singles star ... Constantly baffling opponents with his unique high-flying moves, including a swinging headscissors to the floor ... Favorite move is a spinning Frankensteiner from the top turnbuckle.



Riggs finally gave up his pirate look

199 LUDXOR (6', 190, 6, 241) One of the most innovative young wrestlers in Mexico today ... A member of the five-man team *Los Cadetes D'Espacio* ... Wrestles in AAA ... Uses a wicked *tornillo mortal* as his finisher ... A masked *tecnico* wrestler.

200 NAOHIRO HOSHIKAWA (5'6", 182, 5, 212) An extensive background in the martial arts has served this young star well ... Former fan favorite of Michinoku Pro followed his tag team partner, Masato Yakushiji, to the newly formed Osaka Pro this year ... Loads his arsenal with hard kicks from every angle and position ... Saw some action with All-Japan Pro Wrestling this year ... Has a number of picture perfect suplexes in his repertoire, but he prefers to use the German suplex as a finisher.

201 TOM BRANDI (6'3", 255, 14, 182) The reigning Maryland Championship Wrestling titleholder ... Fending off the challenge of former champ Chaz ... Must also deal with Stevie Richards and Dino Divine ... The

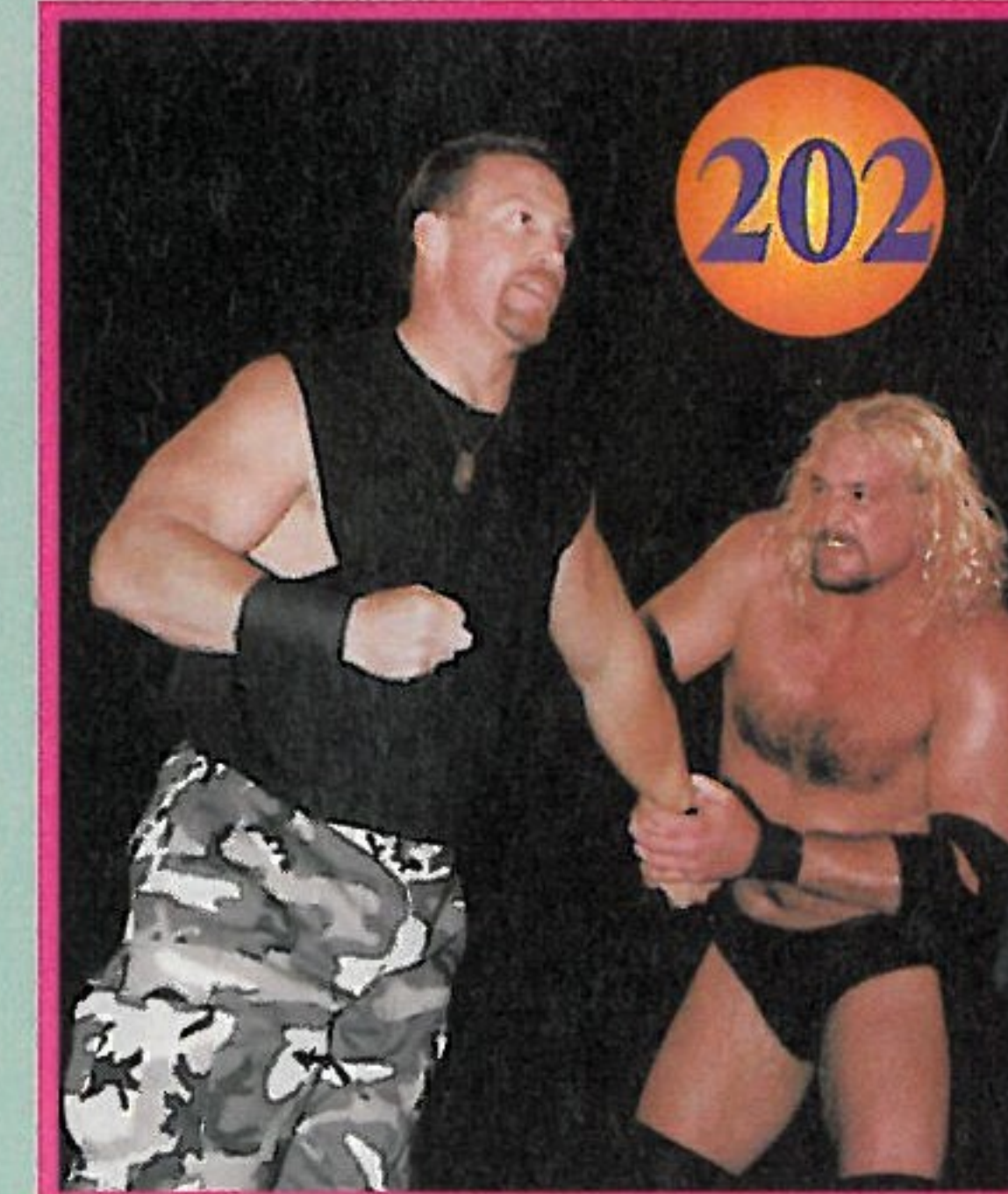
Blue Meanie has emerged as an unlikely ally ... Leader of High Society, a clique that is trying to gain control of Steel City from Notorious Norm ... Competes almost exclusively in the Northeast ... Has wrestled in the WWF, ECW, WCW, and the USWA.

202 BOBBY DUNCUM JR. (6'6", 296, 7, 260) The son of Bobby Duncum, a former WWF tough man ... Left ECW last year and entered WCW ... Career seemed to be misguided until he hooked up with Curt Hennig and Kendall and Barry Windham to form The West Texas Rednecks ... Now is part of Hennig's war with Konnan and Rey Misterio Jr., as well as the ill-fated Master P's No Limit Soldiers ... A tough brawler in the mold of his father ... With the guidance of Hennig, he could be a force in WCW for years to come.

203 STEVE CORINO (6'1", 220, 5, 343) The "King Of Old School" left the independents in November to join ECW ... Made his ECW debut at the ECW Arena, losing to Nova ... Speaks out against the lost art of old-school wrestling ... Is often seconded by Jack Victory and serves as the manager of Rhino Richards and Yoshihiro Tajiri ... Lost to Mahoney in his ECW pay-per-view debut ... Currently feuding with Taz and will do anything or say anything to infuriate the ECW World champion ... Has wrestled and lost to Tommy Dreamer and to Francine ... Keeps the fans laughing with his sophomoric badgering of Taz, but one day his comedy will get him seriously injured.

204 TATSUMI FUJINAMI (6'1", 238, 28, 13) Long-time veteran of the mat wars in New Japan Pro Wrestling has scaled his schedule back considerably this year ... Has spent a lot of time working behind the scenes in NJPW since being named president of the company in the summer ... Multiple-time winner of the IWGP tag team title, as well as a six-time former IWGP heavyweight champion ... One of the most respected mat technicians in the history of *puroresu* ... Originated many modern finishing moves, all of which bear his "Dragon" nickname: the Dragon screw, the Dragon suplex, and his pet submission hold, the Dragon sleeper.

205 THE BLUE MEANIE (6'1", 310, 5, 216) A former member of the Blue World Order in ECW, Meanie left for the WWF last year ... Joined The J.O.B. Squad when he first arrived in the WWF ... Stalked Goldust, a man he mimicked in ECW as Bluedust ... Lost to Goldust handily time and time again ... Later became Goldust's personal assistant ... Moonsault off the top rope is his finisher, and it's a pretty impressive one ... Still wrestles for several independents.



Duncum thinks rap is crap



Kendall Windham returns to the "500"

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206 REY BUCANERO (5'11", 195, 5, NL) This masked Luchadore has made a real splash in Japan this year, touring the country several times ... Often uses a *tope con hilo*, among other high-flying moves ... Wrestles primarily in Mexico's EMLL.

207 JOEY MATTHEWS (5'9", 185, 3, 384) Won and lost the International Pro Wrestling Alliance light heavyweight title ... Challenged for the Maryland Championship Wrestling cruiserweight title and rival/tag team partner Christian York ... One-fourth of Music City's Badstreet Boyz ... Recently signed with WCW.

208 RENO RIGGINS (5'7", 200, 9, 189) He and Steven Dunn, The Tennessee Volz, held the NWA North American tag team title for most of the year, except for a brief period when Brian Christopher and Spellbinder had the belts ... The Volz recently relinquished the championship so they could focus on winning the NWA tag title ... They wrestled their childhood heroes, The Fabulous Ones, at the Nashville Fairgrounds earlier in 1999.



Roadkill is a world-famous chicken plucker

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209 MICHAEL MOD-EST (5'10", 229, 5, 329) Has competed in All Pro Wrestling his entire career, but recently tried out for the WWF and WCW ... Won the APW universal title three times and tag title twice ... Finisher is the downward spiral ... Feuding with Maxx Justice and Dynasty Inc. ... Defeated Tony Jones in a tournament final to become the first APW Internet champion ... He defends the strap in "real video" on APW's Web site.

210 COLORADO KID (6'3", 235, 6, 253) Spent another year as NWA North American champion, except for a brief period when Chris Michaels held the title ... Brickhouse Brown, Wolfie D, and Billy Joe Travis attacked Steven Dunn and Reno Riggins after the team had just won an award; Colorado and Bert Prentice joined in the beating, to everyone's shock ... Fortunately, Colorado later had another change of heart ... Was recently signed by the WWF.

211 NOVA (5'10", 215, 5, NL) Original member of the Blue World Order with Stevie Richards and The Blue Meanie ... Called himself Hollywood Nova ... Former Northeast Wrestling light heavyweight champion ... Mainly wrestles in ECW tag matches with partner Chris Chetti ... Has had an extended feud with Danny Doring and Amish Roadkill.

212 TERRY FUNK (6'1", 247, 34, 60) This legendary mad-man announced his retirement earlier this year ... We've heard that before ... Beat Sabu in his "final" match, held in Canada ... Left the WWF after a brief stint as Chainsaw Charlie, Cactus Jack's tag team partner ... Spent much of the year floating around the independents, kicking tail in every promotion ... Attacked Tommy Dreamer in ECW, but Dreamer, who still idolizes Funk, refused to fight back ... Rumors of his impending return are always floating around.

213 KENDALL WINDHAM (6'5", 220, 15, NL) A member of The West Texas Rednecks along with brother Barry, Curt Hennig, and Bobby Duncum Jr. ... Has yet to make much of an impact on the WCW title scene ... Claims that he helped run Master P out of wrestling ... Maybe it was his backup singing more than his wrestling ability ... Last ranked in the 1994 "PWI 500."

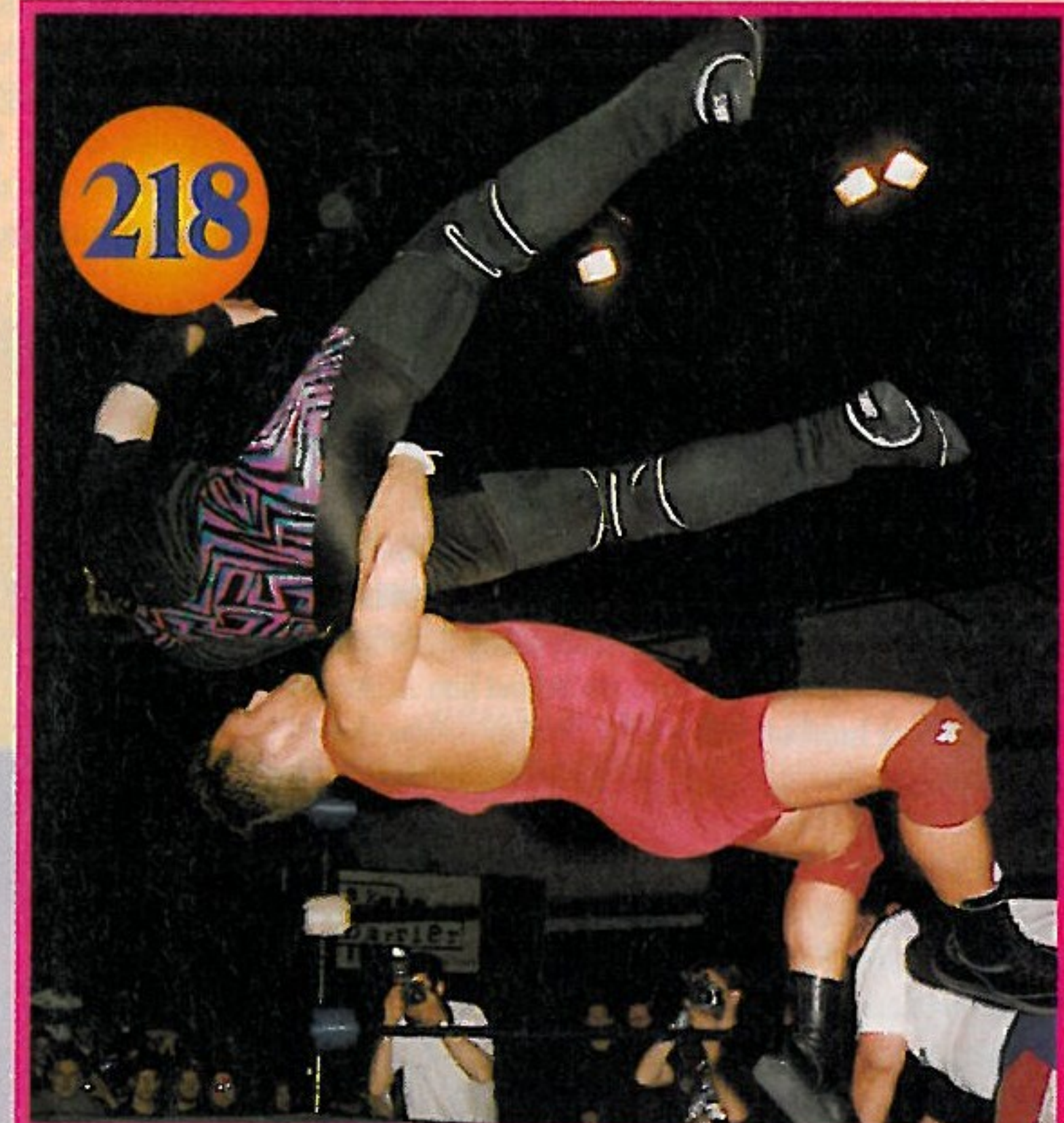
214 STAN HANSEN (6'5", 309, 26, 89) Veteran has seen his schedule cut back significantly this year by All-Japan matchmakers ... No American wrestler has ever enjoyed the success Hansen has overseas ... This year was the first in which he did not compete in the Champion's Carnival ... Fans voted the team of Hansen and Vader their favorite duo of the year after the two men had several strong showings together ... Still using a vicious lariat to finish opponents.

215 ROCCO ROCK (6'2", 251, 21, 197) One-half of Public Enemy along with partner Johnny Grunge ... PE left WCW in January and showed up at the

ECW Arena to challenge the Dudleys ... The two teams wrestled to a no-contest ... Then joined with the WWF and took on the likes of The Acolytes, The Brood, and the Hardys ... Accomplished very little, so he and Grunge left the WWF in April ... Wrestled The Headbangers on several indy shows in the Northeast ... Have made their way back to WCW.

216 AMISH ROADKILL (6', 300, 2, NL) The "Angry Amish Warrior" grew up in rural Lancaster, Pennsylvania, where he plucked chickens ... A graduate of ECW's House of Hardcore ... As a rookie, competed in Terry Funk's "WrestleFest" card in Amarillo, Texas ... Reminds many of The Undertaker when he walks the top rope ... Teams with Danny Doring ... His top-rope splash is a good finisher.

217 CHRIS ADAMS (6'1", 228, 21, 123) The "Gentleman" still competes regularly in WCW, but his win-loss record hasn't been good lately ... Remains in good shape and keeps his ring skills polished, but time is catching up to him ... A former star in Texas, where he once had a famous feud with a young student of his, Steve Austin ... Has adopted a more aggressive approach of late and has formed an alliance with Steven Regal and Dave Taylor.



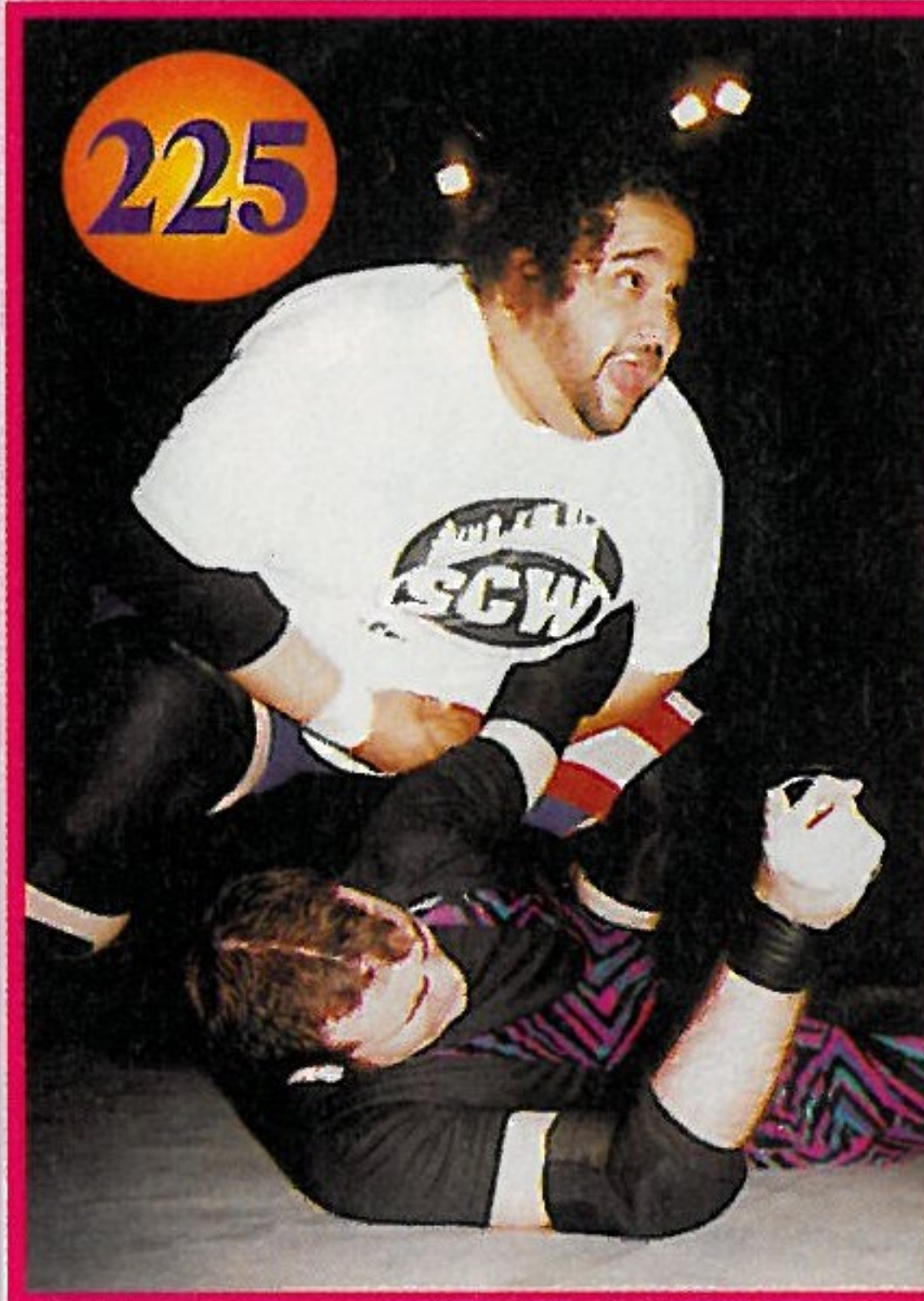
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"Beef Stew" Marconi suplexes Mike Quackenbush

218 LOU MARCONI (5'11", 227, 7, 213) Opponents named his finisher the hellfire lariat because "it takes five years off your life" ... Held the Steel City heavyweight, tag team, and TV titles ... Made peace with long-time manager Notorious Norm after a brief feud ... Nicknamed "Beef Stew" ... Has appeared on WWF television.

219 MR. CONDOR (5'9", 190, 19, NL) Returned to wrestling after a two-year absence ... Can now be seen in AAA rings ... Upon his return, he re-formed his legendary trios team with Marabunta and Angel Mortal ... Has remarkable quickness ... Used to compete in Mexico as the masked Al Capone.

220 STEVEN DUNN (6'1", 230, 12, 254) Won the NWA Texas State title this year ... Along with Reno Riggins, he is a member of The Tennessee Volz ... Relinquished the NWA North American tag team title, which he and Riggins held for most of the year, to focus on winning the NWA tag championship ... Recovered from a compound fracture of his right ankle he suffered in 1998 ... Has competed in the WWF, the USWA, and Smoky Mountain.



Popular Steel City big man Don Montoya

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221 FRANK STALLETTO (6'2", 237, 7, 236) Cut his long hair and adopted a more serious attitude this year ... Has held the Steel City tag team title on three occasions ... Competes in several other Northeast promotions, including the Independent Pro Wrestling Alliance ... Added the Handsome driver, a modified northern lights bomb, to his arsenal.

222 KENNY KAOS (6', 235, 4, 195) The other half of High Voltage, along with Rage ... A very muscular wrestler who wrestles strictly a power style ... Gets frustrated with smaller wrestlers who are able to subdue him on the mat with technical skills ... Tag team skills are solid, but High Voltage never made it past mid-card status ... One of the better physiques in wrestling ... Was handed a spot as one-half of the WCW World tag champs by Rick Steiner ... Unfortunately, that may have been his only chance to hold that title.

223 CARL OULETTE (5'11", 255, 7, 217) A former Quebecer in the WWF ... Has not been seen on national television for more than a year, but has wrestled a few indy shows here and there ... Last seen in the WWF's dojo, where he was preparing to make a comeback from injury ... Has surfaced in Power Pro Wrestling and in New Japan ... Wrestled in PCW and the ECWA for one night each under the name Wal Wallace.

224 ACE DARLING (6', 225, 7, 156) This East Coast independent mainstay slowed down a bit this year ... Has wrestled for both the WWF and WCW ... Still one of the better all-around wrestlers on the Northeast independent scene ... Wrestles mainly in states north of Delaware ... Teams with Devon Storm just about as often as he wrestles against him ... Has held numerous regional titles ... Recently defeated Chris Candido for the ISPW heavyweight title.

225 DON MONTOYA (6', 300, 4, 259) Broke away from Cueball Carmichael and instantly became one of Steel City's most popular stars ... Held the TV title ... Represented Steel City at the "Break The Barrier" card held at the ECW Arena ... Member of The Black T-shirt Squad with Reckless Youth and Mike Quackenbush.

226 JOEY ABS (6'3", 276, 6, 318) Childhood friend of Shane McMahon and a would-be suit-or for his sister, Stephanie ... A member of The Mean Street

Posse with Pete Gas and Rodney ... Test severely injured Pete Gas and Rodney, leaving Joey as the only man standing between Test and Shane ... Then he injured Abs' ankle ... Previously known as Venom ... A former Omega Pro Wrestling champ ... A North Carolina mainstay before going to the WWF ... Likes to use the moonsault and running driver.

227 TONY ANTHONY (6'1", 235, 22, 243) He and Jeff Anderson are the Tennessee Mountain Wrestling tag team champions ... They are known as Wild & Dirty ... Nicknamed "Dirty White Boy" ... Managed by Kimberly, "The Dirty White Girl" ... Hated by fans ... Competes in several Southern indies ... Wrestled Abdullah the Butcher in Crossville, Tennessee ... Very tough brawler ... Has competed in the NWA and WWF.

228 JOHNNY GRUNGE (6'3", 263, 12, 221) One-half of Public Enemy with Rocco Rock ... Started the year in WCW, but left when the tag team division fell apart ... Showed up in ECW for a night to answer the challenge of The Dudley Boyz, whom they wrestled to a no-contest ... The more insane of the two, Johnny specializes in brawling ... Went to the WWF, but PE never fit in inside or outside the squared circle ... Is back at home in WCW, where he can compete in the hardcore division.

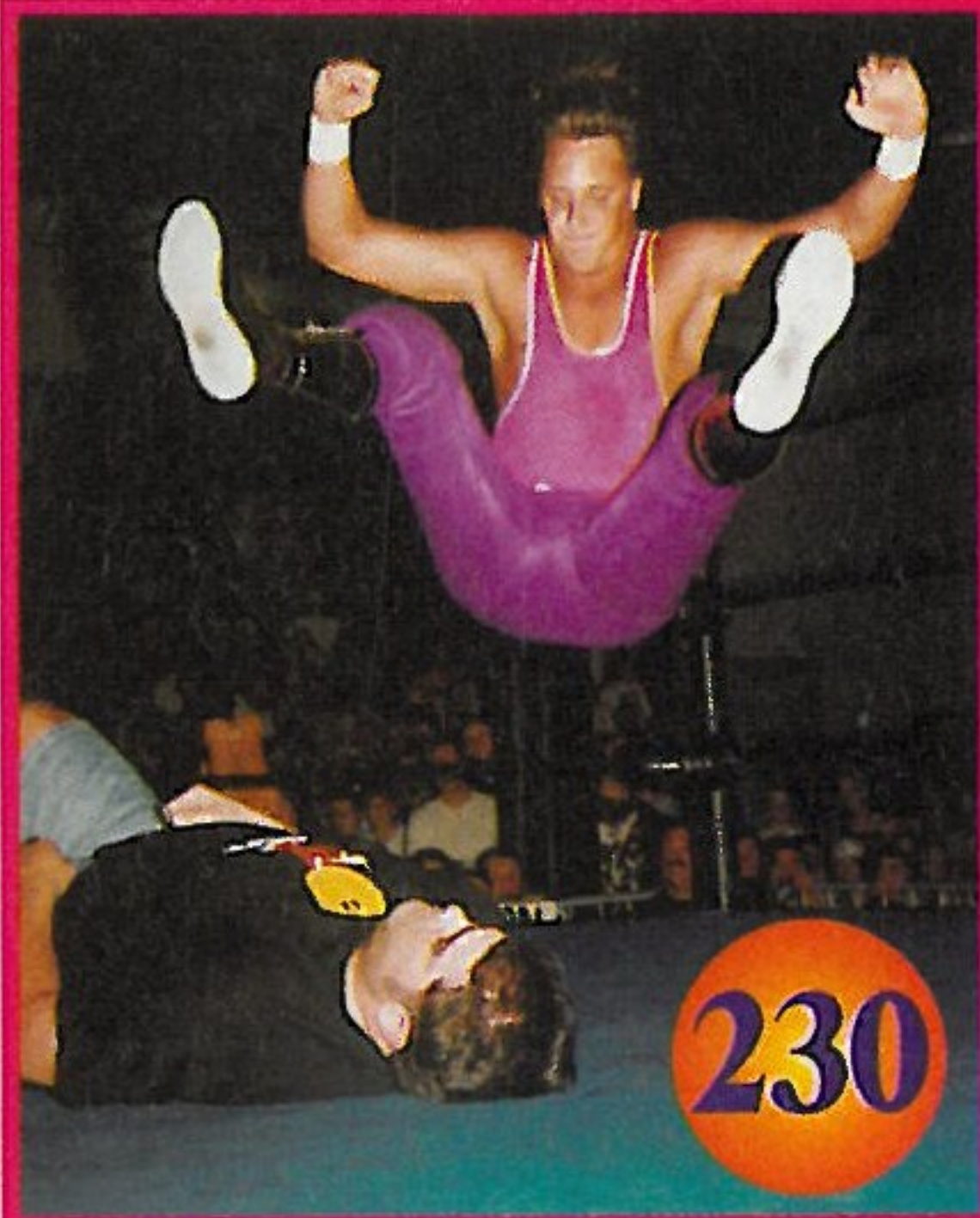
229 KING KONG BUNDY (6'4", 446, 18, 234) Still the king in the independents ... Competes all over North America, squashing independent stars with his massive splash ... One of the biggest stars from the WWF in the mid-1980s ... Often feuds with big men on the indy scene as well, like Boogie Woogie Brown in the ECWA ... Always wants his five-count from the referee to end his matches.

230 DANNY DORING (5'10", 202, 1, NL) A native of Pepper Pike, Ohio ... Trained at ECW's House of Hardcore ... Was a college football standout ... A Bret Hart influence is apparent, especially in his appearance ... A tag team specialist who competes with partner Amish Roadkill ... Slowly building a repertoire of high-flying maneuvers to go along with his already strong mat wrestling ... Appears to have a bright future in ECW.

231 VITO LOGRASSO (6'2", 250, 9, NL) Originally billed in ECW as Skull Von Crush, but now uses his real name ... Has plenty of international experience ... Once pinned All-Japan Triple Crown champion Mitsuharu Misawa during a battle royal ... A solid technical wrestler with a nasty attitude ... Has turned in some fine performances against Rob Van Dam ... Recently turned against C.W. Anderson while tagging with him at the ECW Arena.

232 JOE E. LEGEND (6'5", 255, 8, NL) This former tag team partner of WWF superstar Edge continues to excel against all comers ... Added to his lengthy resume with reigns as CWA, WWS, and Atlantic Grand Prix champion in 1999 ... Legend, one of Canada's top wrestling stars, also spends a great deal of time competing in Europe and the U.S. ... Followed Edge's lead by making his WWF debut in opener at a sold-out Toronto SkyDome Raw in February.

233 STEVEN REGAL (6'4", 247, 15, 188) Entered the WWF and made a little headway as "The Real Man" ... His WWF stay was brief, and he soon bounced his way around the independents while battling his personal demons ... Wrestled NWA champion Dan Severn at the NWA's 50th anniversary card last fall and lost ... Was let go by the WWF in April and had a chance to let several injuries heal ... Returned to WCW in June and quickly formed an alliance with David Taylor and Dave "Fit" Finlay ... Could do well in WCW's hardcore division.

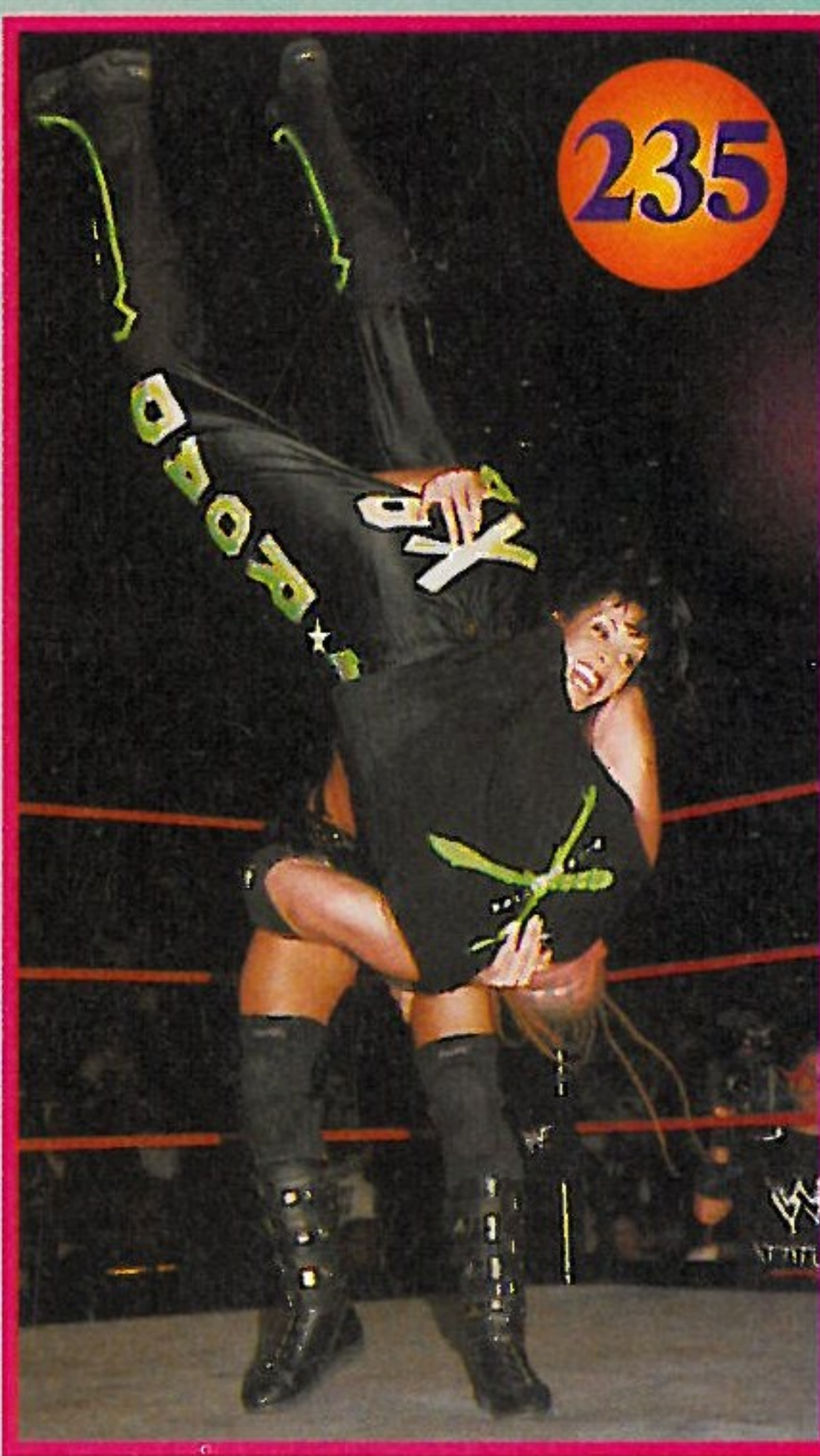


Doring, the coolest there is, the coolest there was ...

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234 SHANE HELMS (6'1", 210, 8, NL) The Southern Championship Wrestling titleholder has a tight grip on the promotion ... Along with Mike Maverick, is a member of The Serial Thrillaz ... They have held the Southern Championship Wrestling tag team title since February 20 ... Also teams with Shannon Moore ... Feuded with The Hardy Boys in Omega Pro ... Finisher is the suicide plancha ... A fan favorite before joining Count Grog ... Also holds the WWO lightweight title.

235 CHYNA (5'9", 201, 7, NL) The current bodyguard for Hunter Hearst Helmsley has proved her mettle this year by competing against men in the WWF's heavyweight division ... Was the first female to qualify for the King of the Ring tournament ... Seems to play the female card when needed, then attacks with a vicious low blow ... Favorite finisher is the pedigree—Hunter's finisher ... Has the potential to be the first female to hold a WWF men's belt.



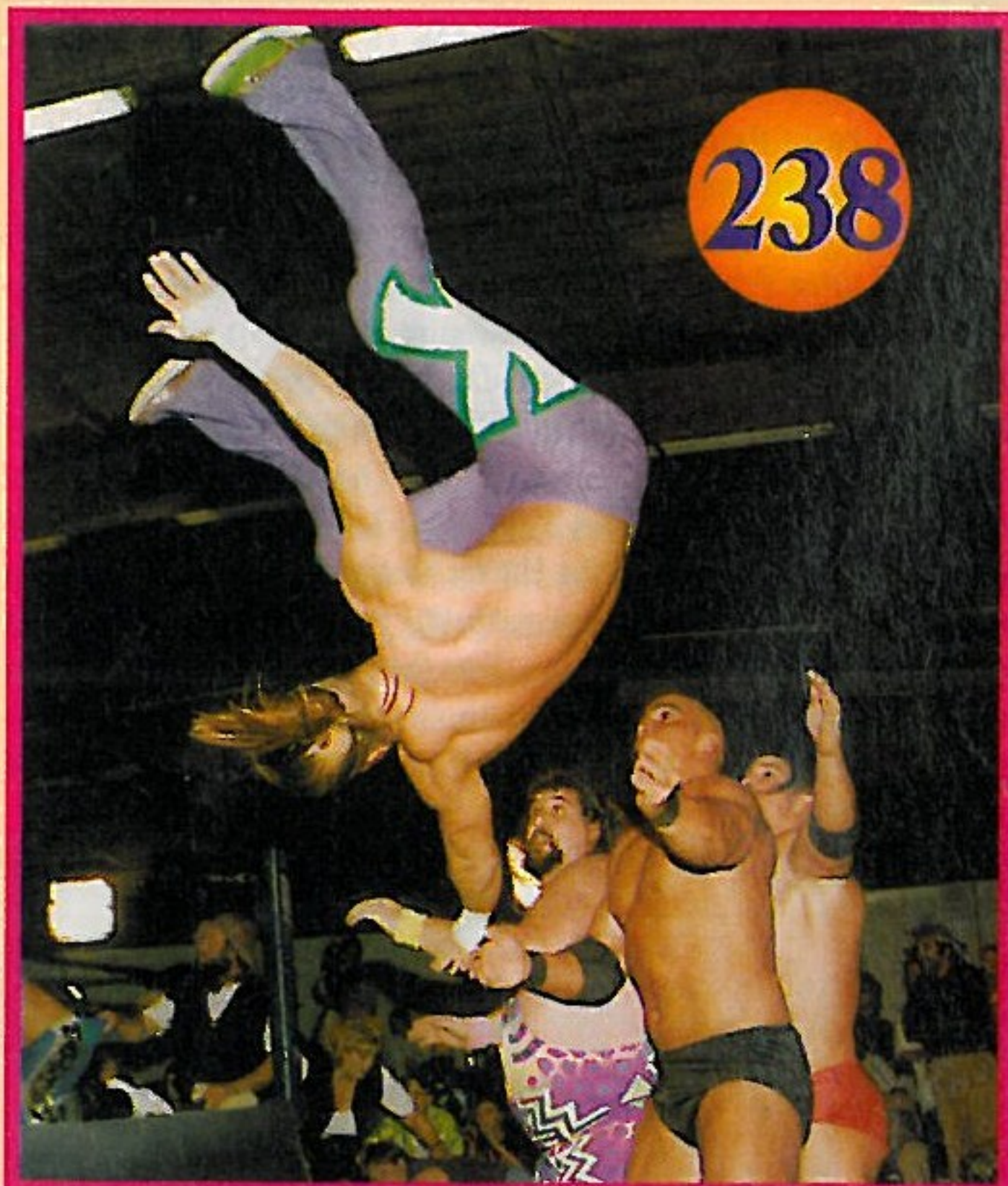
Chyna wants a belt, but not the women's

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236 VINCENT (5'11", 230, 14, 240) A member of NWO black and white for much of the year ... Now that that group has broken up, his WCW future is uncertain ... Didn't do that much wrestling in WCW in the last year and was often content to stand at ringside and bark out orders to other members of the group ... Demanded to be called Vince rather than Vincent for a while ... The former Virgil in the WWF.

237 JOHN KRONUS (6'4", 256, 10, 167) Kronus has been all but eliminated from the national scene ... Last we saw him on ECW television, he was getting power-bombed through a table by Sid Vicious ... Left ECW earlier in the year ... Wrestled on several NWA New Jersey cards, teaming with Harley Lewis on more than one occasion ... Feuded with Kevin Knight ... His singles career has never measured up to his tag team career with Perry Saturn as The Eliminators.

238 SHANNON MOORE (5'10", 177, 4, NL) A former Omega and New Frontier champ ... Has also held the Omega lightweight title ... Fared well in bouts against Jeff Hardy's alter-ego, Will o' the Wisp ... Successful in Music City as one of The Badstreet Boyz ... Has signed with WCW for a spot in its cruiserweight division.



Moore is not afraid to take crazy risks

239 SHIRO KOSHINAKA (5'10", 228, 20, NL) Long-time veteran of New Japan Pro Wrestling has found his way back into the spotlight in the tag team ranks ... Held the IWGP tag team title twice in the past year, once each with Genichiro Tenryu and Kensuke Sasaki ... Teams occasionally with fellow veteran Kengo Kimura ... Was one of the most successful junior heavyweights in the '80s ... Uses the flying hip attack as his finishing blow.

240 MICHAEL HAYES (6'1", 255, 16, NL) The original "Purely Sexy" wrestler ... Formerly one-third of The Freebirds ... Was coaxed out of retirement by Lance Diamond, whom he wrestled on PCW and ECWA shows ... Defeated Diamond on both occasions ... Took on Jeff and Matt Hardy as his proteges, changed their look, and led them to the WWF World tag team title ... Began teaming with them in six-man matches against The Brood ... The Hardys recently attacked him, ending the relationship ... Briefly held the Power Pro Wrestling heavyweight title ... Last ranked in the 1994 "PW 500."

241 RHINO RICHARDS (6'1", 330, 5, NL) A powerful wrestler who blends power moves with brawling ... Has wrestled for several Detroit-area

independents and in Europe for the CWA ... Entered ECW, where he has yet to make it out of preliminary matches ... Is very powerful, but he'll need more seasoning and more of a streak to survive in ECW.

242 JERRY FLYNN (6'4", 250, 8, NL) Veteran wrestler has been toiling in WCW for several years—and not having much success ... Changed his look this year, but that hasn't helped him win that many more matches ... Has a background in the martial arts and frequently uses variations of kicks to weaken opponents ... Highlight of his year came at Uncensored, when he defeated Ernest Miller and Sonny Ono in a handicap bout ... Currently a member of Jimmy Hart's First Family.

243 HEADBANGER THRASHER (6'2", 245, 8, 144) A former member of The Headbangers with Mosh ... Injured his knee earlier in the year ... Appeared on several NWA New Jersey shows after the injury, but spent the majority of the time on the ring apron ... He and Mosh feuded with Public Enemy for a while in the independents ... Has yet to return to the WWF ring wars ... Future is uncertain because of injury and the recent identity change of his former partner.

244 TRACEY SMOTHERS (6'1", 227, 17, 134) A former member of The Full-Blooded Italians in ECW along with Little Guido, Sal E. Graziano, and Tommy Rich ... Now finds himself back in the Tennessee independents ... Gave up his bogus Italian heritage to return to his Southern roots ... Held several regional titles throughout his career, and also the ECW tag title with Little Guido.

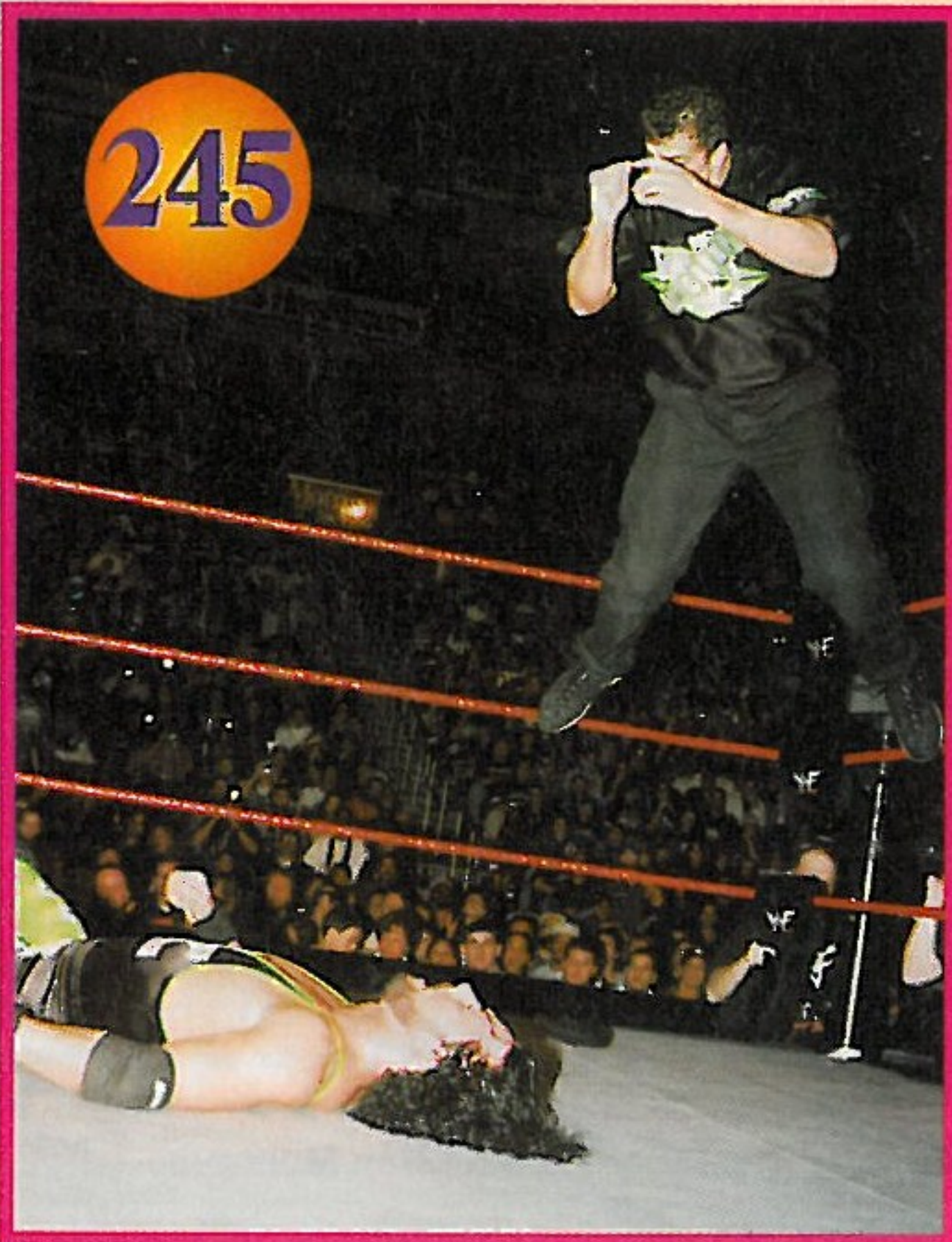
245 SHANE McMAHON (6'2", 230, 1, NL) Vince McMahon's son surprised everyone this year by showing quite a bit of natural ability in his matches ... As a hands-on boss (literally), he has feuded with X-Pac, Steve Austin, and Test ... Loves to use the bronco buster to mock X-Pac ... Beat X-Pac for the European belt, then successfully defended it against him at WrestleMania with help from The Corporation ... Subsequently retired the title, then awarded it to

Midian ... Now doing his best to keep Test away from his sister, Stephanie.

246 BRIAN ADAMS (6'6", 322, 13, 228) Not a particularly memorable year for the former Crush ... For much of the year, he bickered with other members of the NWO black and white over who should be the leader of the group ... Relies strictly on his brawling skills ... Rumor has it that he's looking to change his look.

247 ADAM PEARCE (6'2", 242, 2, 382) Feuding with Northern States TV champion Danny Dominion in St. Paul Championship Wrestling ... Competed for Wrestling Warriors Austria ... Boasts an impressive array of flying maneuvers ... Inventor of the rack bomb, a torture rack into a power bomb combination ... Wrestles throughout the Midwest and South.

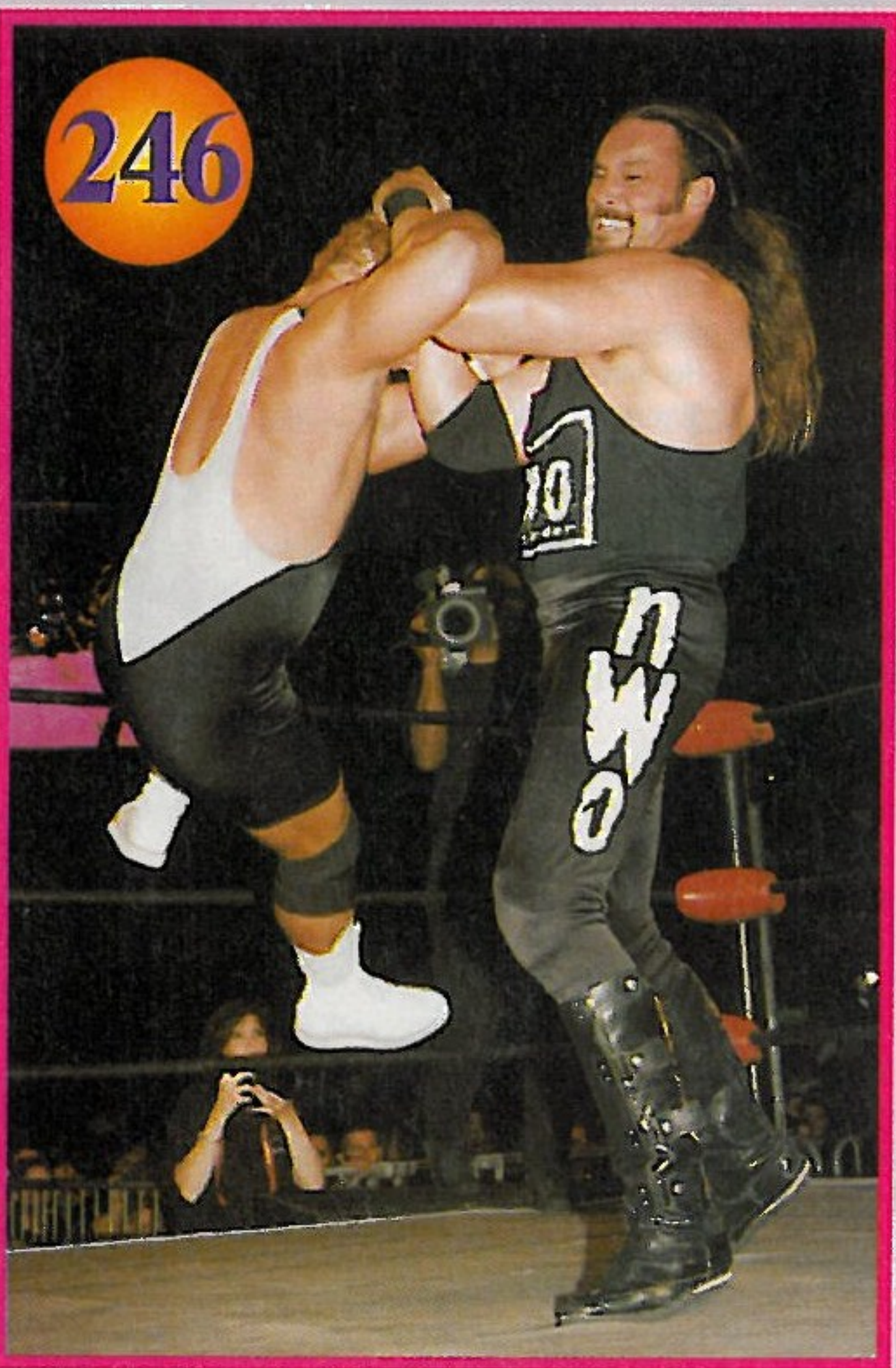
248 SAL E. GRAZIANO (6'6", 601, 10, NL) This native of Sicily, Italy, spends most of his time accompanying fellow



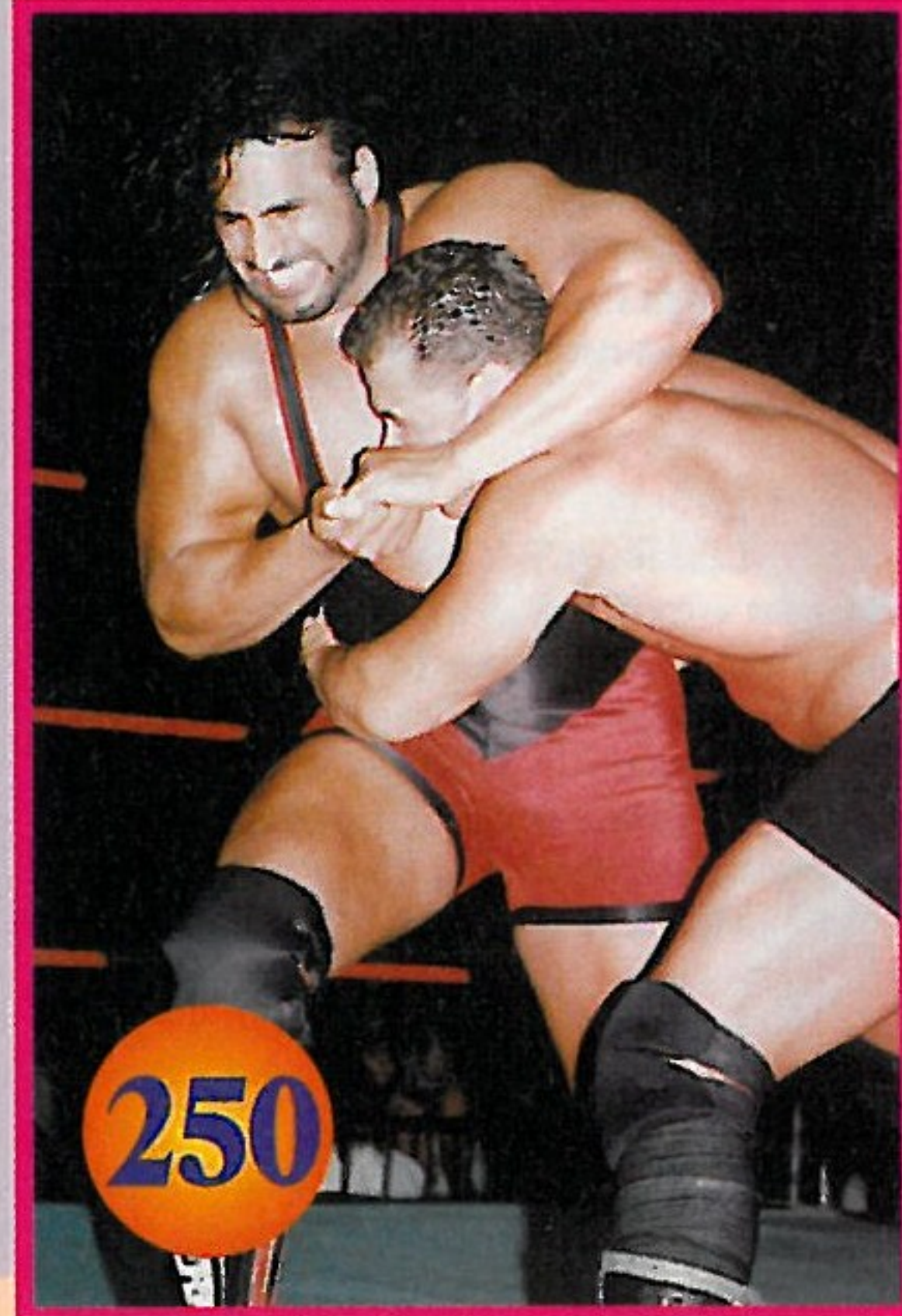
Shane McMahon drops the real corporate elbow

Full-Blooded Italian member Little Guido to ringside in ECW, but he isn't afraid to get in the ring and mix it up himself ... Given his weight, you know his version of the powerslam is nasty ... Held back by the fact that he seems more content to serve as an enforcer.

249 GARY STEELE (6'4", 252, 4, 294) The top contender in NWA U.K.-Hammerlock for most of this year ... Lost to NWA champion Naoya Ogawa on June 2 in Conyers, Georgia ... Defeated Chris Champion three days later in Nashville, Tennessee ... Feuding with Sebastian P. Sterling in England ... Finishers include the northern lights suplex and split leglock.



Adams has a large collection of Kiss CDs



Never make a deal with Singh

250 TIGER ALI SINGH (6'5", 290, 7, 286) Of Indian decent, but born and raised in Toronto ... Spent most of his time in the ring handing out money to fans to get them to do menial, degrading acts ... A snotty second-generation wrestler ... Quite skilled in the martial arts ... Spent several years competing in Japan before coming to the WWF.

251 TWIGGY RAMIREZ (5'10", 213, 4, 292) Suffered a broken collarbone during a September 1998 match against Julio Sanchez in Wildwood, New Jersey, and was out of action for almost three months ... Defeated Lance Diamond, who was substituting for an injured Rik Ratchet, for the Independent Wrestling Federation title ... Won the NWA New Jersey junior heavyweight championship in a three-way match against Diamond and Inferno Kid on April 30, his birthday.

252 RAGE (5'9", 230, 4, 186) One-half of High Voltage ... A true powerhouse with an impressive physique ... Hasn't done much, other than look good on television ... Can be quickly frustrated when his opponent is able to take him to the mat ... Another wrestler in WCW who seems to be forgotten because of the enormous roster ... A graduate of WCW's Power Plant.

253 MARTY JANNETTY (5'11", 230, 15, 210) This former tag team specialist didn't find much success in the WCW ranks ... Spent most of his time struggling to be noticed in the large mid-card pool ... Has returned to the independents, where he is headlining shows in Florida ... Still uses the Rocker dropper as his finisher—a move that garnered him and ex-partner Shawn Michaels world tag team titles in the AWA and WWF.

254 EL DANDY (5'6", 195, 18, 214) This Luchadore has spent most of his year in WCW, where he, too, has gotten lost in the mid-card shuffle ... Has held just about every middleweight title in Mexico ... Unlike most Luchadores, he is more known for his mat skills than his aerial skills.

255 ACE STEEL (5'9", 210, 8, NL) He and Danny Dominion figure to challenge Packerland Pro tag team champions Conan the Dark Rider and Tony the Annihilator ... Steel and Sir Adrian Lynch are helping Dominion retain his Northern States TV title against Adam Pearce and Ricky Noga ... A regular in St. Paul Championship Wrestling ... Also competes in All-Star

Championship Wrestling ... Wrestles throughout Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Iowa.

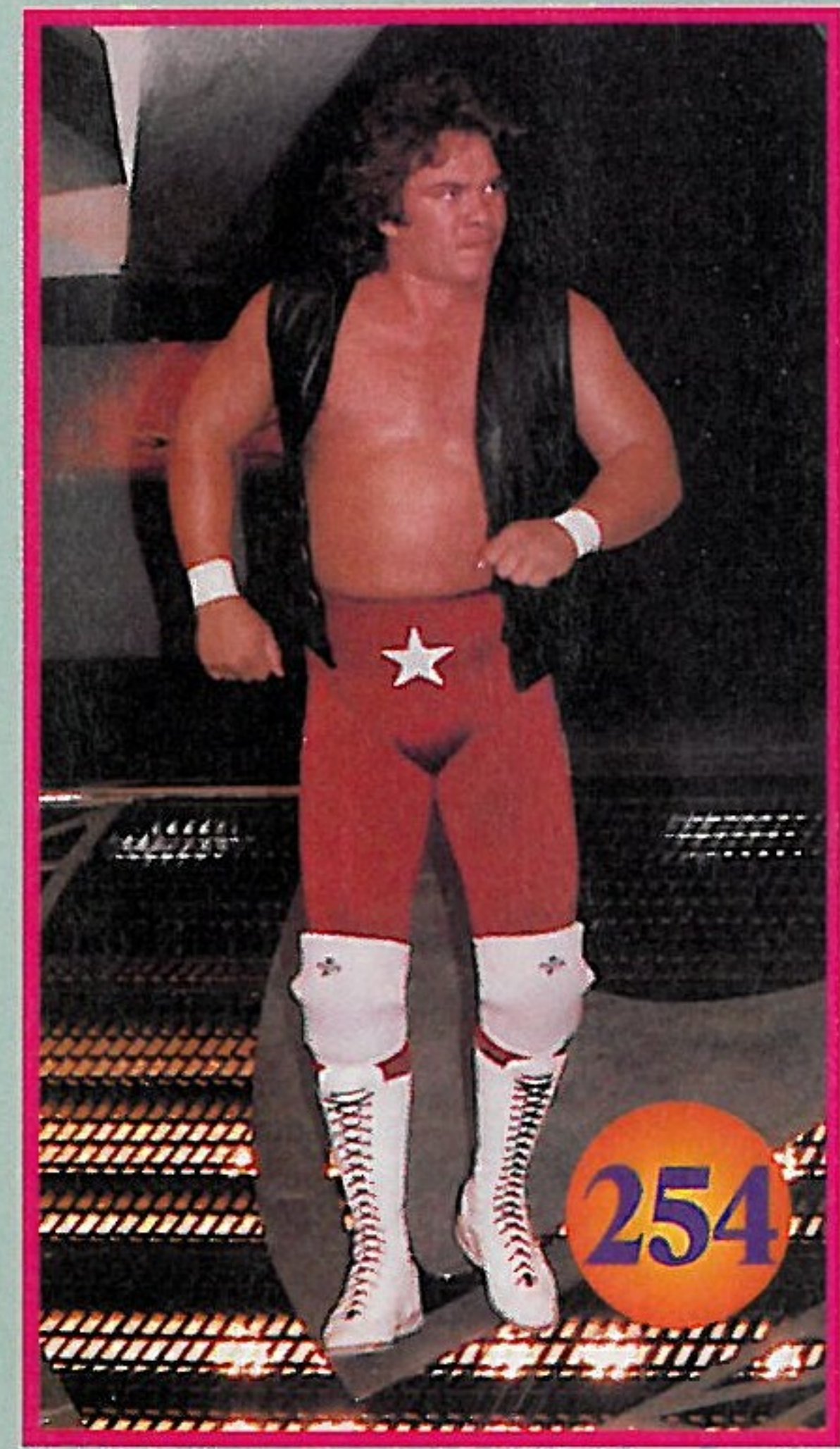
256 GLACIER (6'2", 245, 10, 184) Was expected to be a huge star in WCW ... What happened? Now he only appears on the occasional card ... Sold his outfit and contact to Kaz Hayashi ... Has some impressive martial arts moves in his repertoire, but could stand to improve his mat skills ... Feuded with Ernest Miller for a while over who was the superior martial artist, but he didn't fare well.

257 MICHAEL WALL STREET (6'3", 248, 18, 124) This American competitor has found himself given top-tier status in New Japan which is considerably higher than his mid-card status in WCW ... A seasoned veteran who is technically proficient ... Respected and feared by his Japanese opponents ... Former WWF World tag team champ with Barry Windham.

258 ANIMAL (6'3", 310, 17, 82) A member of The Legion of Doom, along with Hawk ... They are quite possibly the most successful tag team in wrestling history ... Feuded with The Disciples of Apocalypse and Too Much at the end of their WWF tenure ... Animal split with Hawk when Hawk's problems outside the ring became public ... Teamed with Droz to form the new LOD ... That pairing failed when Hawk exposed that Droz was the one responsible for the breakup ... Has wrestled occasionally in independents and in Japan in recent months.

259 K.C. THUNDER (6', 265, 10, 277) Won the Southern States title this year ... Feuding with Chris Walker and Danny Christian ... Managed by Count Grog in Southern Championship Wrestling ... Finisher is the somersault legdrop ... Has held the North Carolina State, Great American Wrestling Federation heavyweight, and Southern States tag championships.

260 RICK JUSTICE (6', 201, 8, 281) Has held the Tri-Star heavyweight, junior heavyweight, and tag team titles ... Also a former North American Wrestling Alliance heavyweight and tag champ ... Deceptively powerful ... Very hot-tempered ... A native of Longview, Texas.



El Dandy: Better in Mexico



NWA Worldwide's "sexiest thing"?

261 MAJOR DeBEERS (5'11", 260, 23, 291) Held the Southern Championship Wrestling brass knuckles title twice this year ... Injured his arch-rival, Juice ... Feuding with Jimmy Valiant, the Kettle family, and Jay Eagle ... Managed by Count Grog ... Proclaimed "The Grandfather Of Hardcore" in SCW ... Has competed in the WWF, NWA, AWA, Mid-South, Japan, Germany, Australia, England, and several Southern indies ... A native of Sun City, South Africa.

262 ERICH SBRACCIA (6'4", 277, 15, 263) He and Knuckles Nelson were stripped of the NWA tag team title by the Board of Governors ... Lost the New England title to Barry Windham on September 19, 1998 ... Has been associated with Tony Rumble since 1984 and a member of The Brotherhood since '85 ... His elbow from the top rope can be devastating ... Underwent knee surgery in February and was replaced by Dukes Dalton in his NWA tag title defenses.

263 SHANE EDEN (5'10", 205, 3, NL) Turned his back on the fans because they refused to accept him as "the sexiest thing" in NWA Worldwide ... Nicknamed "Stylin'" Shane ... Former co-holder of the North American tag team title with Frenchy Riviera ... They are known as Ladies' Night Out ... Feuding with The Badstreet Boyz ... Signed with WCW this summer.

264 BEAU JAMES (5'10", 275, 9, 283) Competed in Memphis' Power Pro Wrestling under a mask as one of Randy Hales' bodyguards ... Wrestled briefly in Music City ... Beat Ricky Harrison for the Southern States title in January ... Self-proclaimed "King Of The Indies" because of his victories over Bill Dundee, Robert Gibson, Rick Morton, Tracey Smothers, and Bobby Fulton ... Managed by P.J. Sharp.

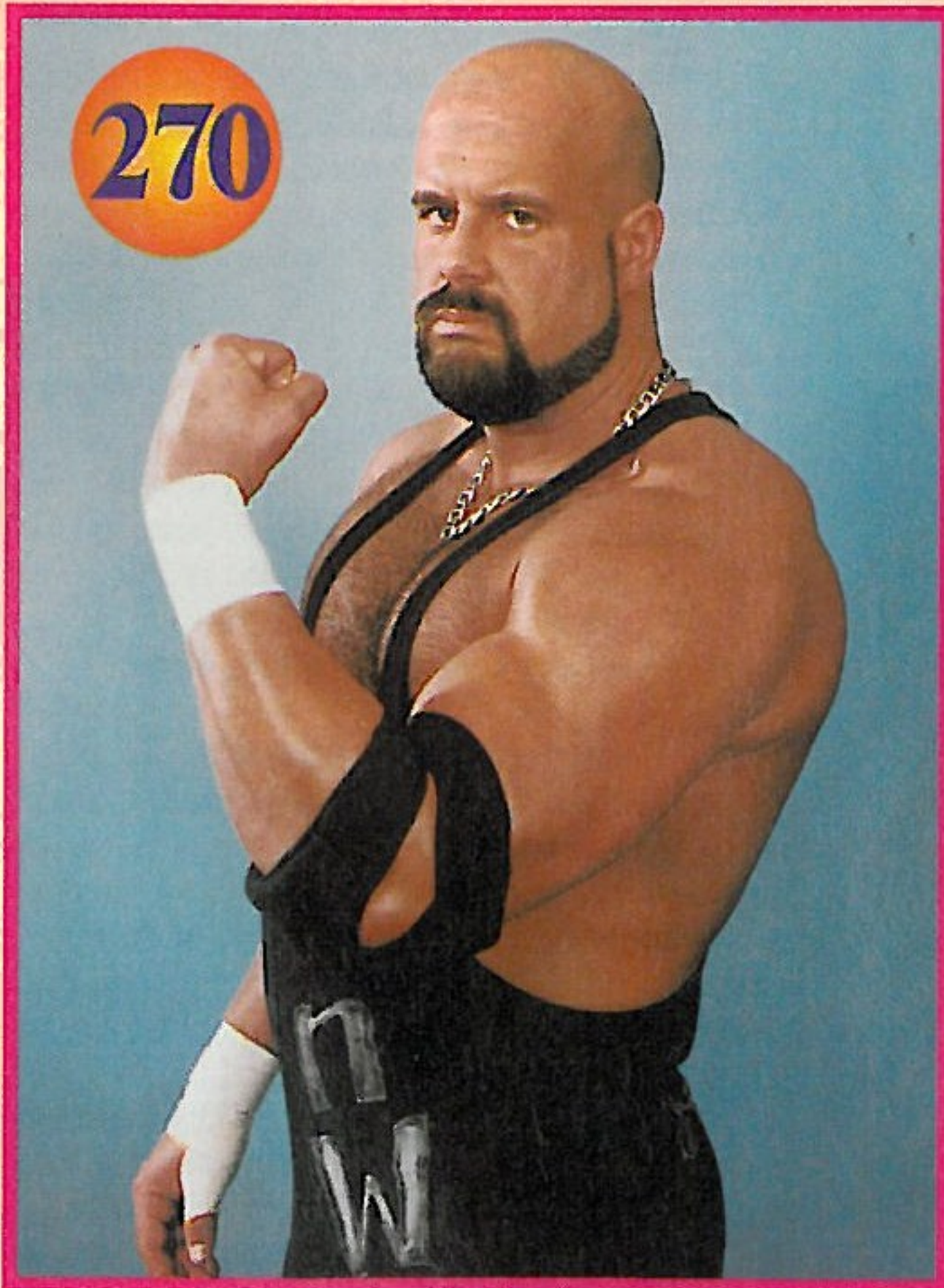
265 KURRGAN (6'11", 345, 10, 192) This former member of The Oddities member has vanished from the WWF scene, just like the rest of his group ... Where do you send a seven-foot man to blend in? Try Mexico. That's where he's wrestling now ... Never managed to live up to the expectations many had for a man of such size ... Has been managed by The Jackyl, Luna, and Sable, among others ... Originally a member of The Truth Commission.

266 LORD ZOLTAN (5'9", 230, 23, 266) Remains a dangerous force in Steel City ... Reigns as Steel City junior heavyweight champ for more than three years ... Leader of The Dope Show, which includes Shirley Doe and Big Neal the Real Deal ... Wears ominous face paint ... Has perfected the art of distracting referees while using foreign objects and other illegal tactics ... Feuded with T.C. Reynolds for many years.

267 DANNY DOMINION (6'1", 233, 7, NL) The Northern States TV champion ... Receiving help from Ace Steel and Sir Adrian Lynch in his battles against Adam Pearce and Ricky Noga ... He and Steel are looking to challenge Packerland Pro tag team titleholders Conan the Dark Rider and Tony the Annihilator ... Competes throughout Wisconsin and Minnesota ... Has demanded a shot at Northern States heavyweight champion Derrick Dukes.

268 MARK SHRADER (5'11", 212, 6, 276) Competes in Maryland Championship Wrestling and makes occasional appearances in Delaware's East Coast Wrestling Association ... Relies on his amateur skills ... Teaming with Cueball Carmichael and feuding with Gregory Martin and Qeenan Creed, two of his students ... Has participated in the ECWA Super 8 Tournament.

269 DORY FUNK JR. (6'2", 250, 35, 232) Spent a good part of the year as the head trainer at the WWF's dojo ... Still occasionally wrestles in Japan and on independent cards throughout the United States ... Is still a mainstay in the NWA, and served as special guest referee for Dan Severn's NWA title loss to Naoya Ogawa ... Highly respected.



This Hogan is loyal to the NWO

270 HORACE HOGAN (6'2", 240, 9, NL) A member of the NWO black and white ... Has yet to rise above the mid-card status of WCW ... The nephew of Hollywood Hogan ... Former FMW tag team champion with Sabu ... Last ranked in the "PWf 500" in 1996.

271 BILL DUNDEE (5'7", 214, 25, 271) Competes in Power Pro Wrestling and NWA Worldwide/Music City ... Formed The Aussies with



Can anyone pin Mayhem?

Ashley Hudson ... Re-formed his partnership with Jerry Lawler, with whom Dundee won the AWA World tag team title twice in October 1987 ... Their matches against The Fabulous Ones and the team of Jackie Fargo and Colorado Kid broke attendance records at the Nashville Fairgrounds this year.

272 CORPORAL PUNISHMENT (6'3", 255, 5, 319) Wrestled mostly in tag team matches this year, forming partnerships with Terry Funk, The Iron Sheik, The Headbangers, and trainer Axl Rotten ... Defeated by Romeo Valentino in the finals of the Maryland Championship Wrestling title tournament ... Also competes for UCW in Alabama and Louisiana, where he beat Stevie Richards for the heavyweight belt in January ... Their feud has spilled over into MCW.

273 "BIG" DICK DUDLEY (6'3", 285, 6, 200) Another one of the Dudley clan ... He's the biggest and baddest, but also the quietest ... Would rather growl than speak ... Left the ECW Dudleys earlier in the year because of out-of-the-ring problems ... Has not returned as of yet, but you never know with the Dudleys, who may be hiding him for the right opportunity.

274 JET JAGUAR (5'8", 175, 2, NL) Bested Mike Marcello in a bloody feud to capture the Independent Pro Wrestling light heavyweight title ... Traded the same title in two high-flying matches against Mike Quackenbush in Florida ... Also competes in Georgia, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania ... Has defeated Twiggy Ramirez and Jeff Peterson ... Finishers are the clawhold and frog splash ... Had three concussions this year ... Managed by Sir Ronald J. Niemi IV.

275 SCOTT PUTSKI (6', 235, 13, 248) The son of Ivan Putski is currently competing in WCW on a limited basis ... Wasn't blessed with the bulk his father had ... Probably best remembered for breaking his leg on *Raw* against Brian Christopher several years ago ... Came back from that injury and competed in WCW ... Hasn't made much of an impact and is seen only occasionally on *Nitro*, where he usually gets beaten.

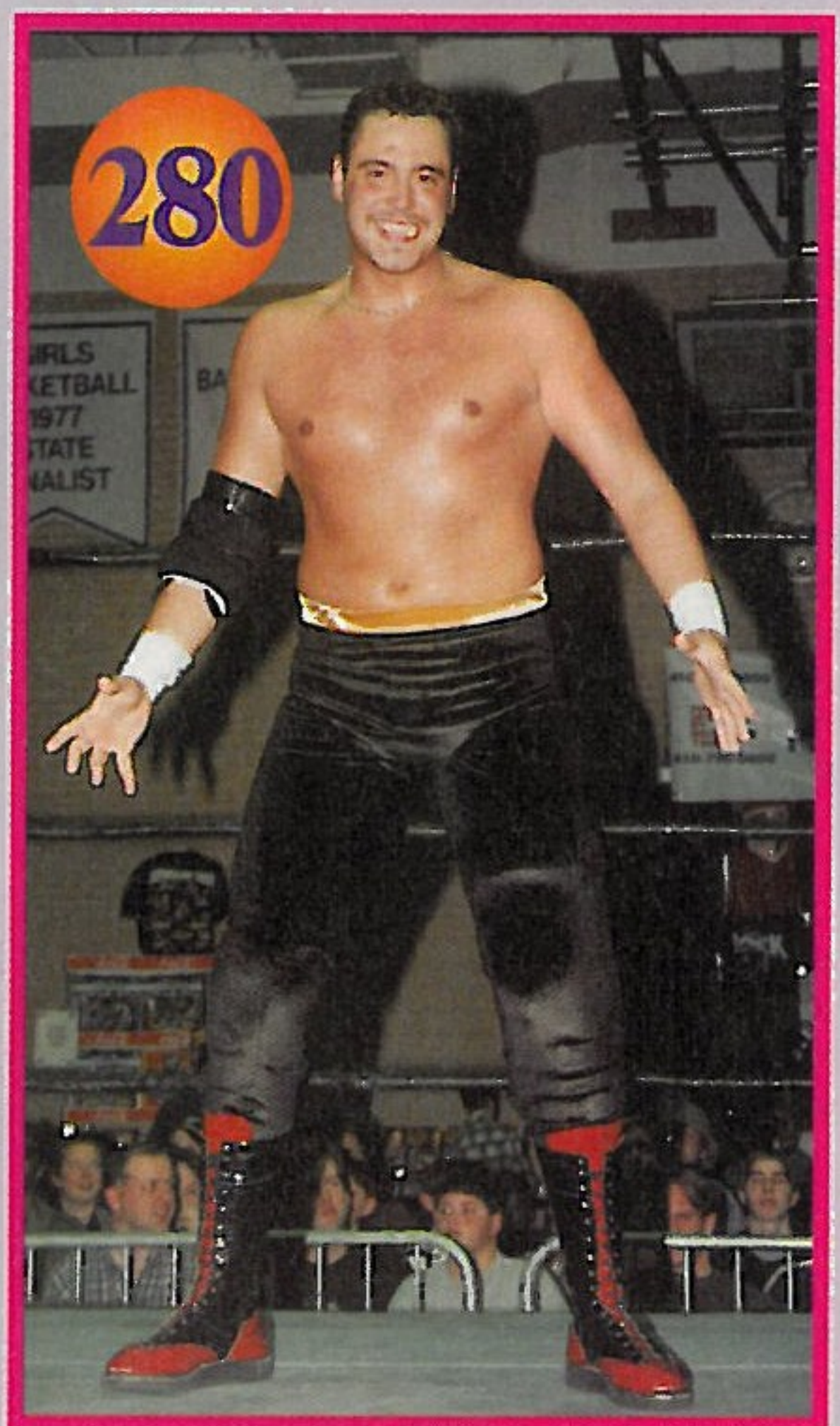
276 MAXX JUSTICE (6'6", 297, 5, 443) The cornerstone of Dynasty Inc. ... He and manager Shane Dynasty steamrolled the competition in All Pro Wrestling this year ... A three-time APW universal champion ... His long-running feud with Michael Modest is the hottest on the West Coast ... Has a devastating choke-slam ... One of the most ruthless men in APW history ... Tried out for WCW.

277 LODI (5'10", 220, 2, NL) Teams with Lenny Lane in WCW ... Snickers are heard in the locker room every time Lodi and Lenny walk through ... Favorite lollipop flavor is cherry ... He and Lenny were destroyed in a handicap match against Sid Vicious on *Thunder* this summer ... Sometimes seeks advice from Jimmy Hart ... Always carries signs with him to the ring, many of which are very funny ... Has wrestled extensively for Mid-Atlantic independents.

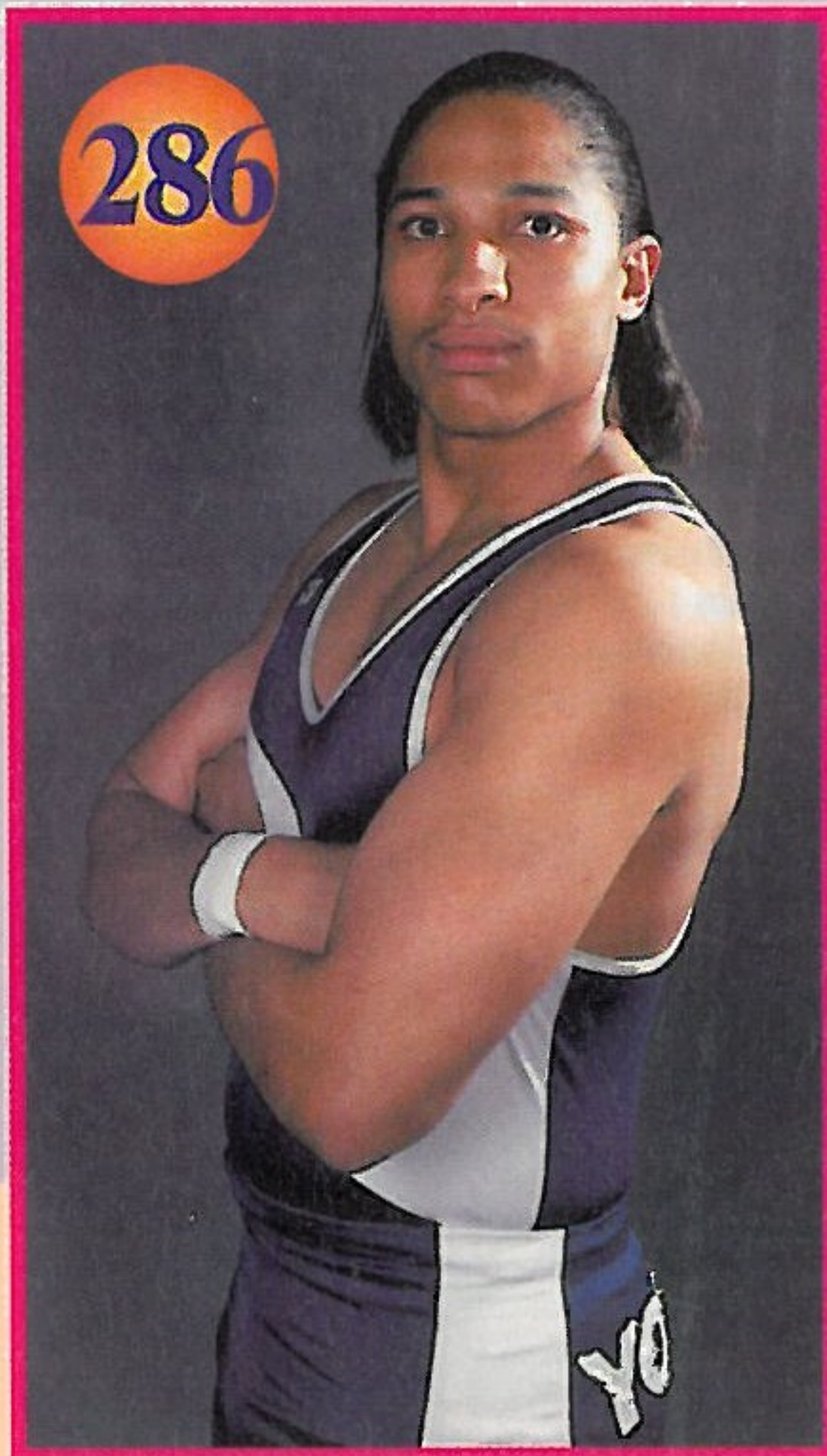
278 T. RANTULA (6'8", 310, 12, 298) Returned to Steel City, where he has enjoyed his greatest success, as a two-time heavyweight champ ... Has also held the American Commonwealth title ... Competes primarily in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Ohio ... Managed by The Black Widow ... Choke-slam is his most potent weapon ... Has wrestled in WCW and the WWF.

279 MASTER MAYHEM (6'10", 325, 4, 317) Has never been clearly pinned ... Defeated Romeo Bliss, Stan Lee, and Eight-Ball Jones this year ... His popularity is growing, especially among children ... Relinquished the All-Pro title in January due to other obligations ... Held the Ultimate Championship Wrestling and Dixie Pro belts ... Also competes in Independent Championship Wrestling, Tennessee Mountain Wrestling, and Volunteer Championship Wrestling.

280 INFERNO KID (6'3", 235, 5, 337) This young talent is loved by the fans ... Has held several regional titles, including the PCW tag team and ECWA Mid-Atlantic championships ... Regularly competes for NWA-New Jersey ... Went on a successful tour of several Southern independents early this summer.



Inferno Kid is setting the East Coast on fire



APW's favorite bad boy

281 RAY ODYSSEY (5'10", 225, 13, 296) The "Surfer" is still riding the wave of success on the Northeast independent scene ... Competes regularly for NWA New Jersey and Northeast Wrestling ... Currently holds the Northeast Wrestling light heavyweight title and is fending off challengers Mike Quackenbush and Reckless Youth ... Popular veteran who finishes his opponents off with his wipeout splash off the ropes ... Always has his surfboard with him.

282 SCOOT ANDREWS (5'11", 222, 6, 341) Defeated Hack Myers for the Florida Championship Wrestling title after a long feud ... "Playboy" Bobby Davis capitalized on a minor knee injury to upset Andrews for the belt ... Has received many awards for his community service with underprivileged youth ... Finishing move is the frog splash ... Nicknamed "The Black Nature Boy."

283 JOHNNIE STEWART (6'1", 263, 13, NL) Has reigned as AWA champion since June 6, 1996, when he defeated Larry Gilgorovich at Mayo Stadium in Rochester, Minnesota ... Wrestled several top stars this year, including Jim Brunzell, Lenny Lane, King Kong Bundy, The Brooklyn Brawler, Doink the Clown, George Steele, The Navajo Warrior, and Haystacks Ross ... Will appear in *The Boondock Saints* with Willem Dafoe.

284 HAWK (6'3", 277, 15, 91) A rough year for this member of The Legion of Doom ... His outside-the-ring problems overwhelmed him for a while, and he was forced out after being pushed off the TitanTron on *Raw* by Droz ... Was inactive for a couple months due to injury ... Returned rested and feuded with Droz, who had taken his place in the LOD ... In the end, secured his position and re-formed the original LOD with Animal ... Left the WWF with Animal in May.

285 KNUCKLES NELSON (6'3", 251, 5, NL) The NWA New England champion ... The Board of Governors stripped Nelson and his partner, Erich Sbraccia, of the NWA tag team title ... Finisher is the Knucklehead, his version of the piledriver ... A member of Tony Rumble's

Brotherhood ... Proficient in the martial arts ... One of NWA New England's most unpredictable stars.

286 BOYCE LEGRANDE (6'2", 216, 1, 416) Was the runner-up in All-Pro Wrestling's Rookie of the Year balloting, finishing behind Vinny Massaro ... Perhaps the most popular star in the promotion's history ... Seemed to have won his first universal title by defeating Maxx Justice on May 1, but the decision was reversed due to outside interference; the title was subsequently declared vacant ... The Bad Boy blockbuster is his finisher.

287 J.R. RYDER (6'3", 235, 3, 392) This tough competitor has branched out on the East Coast, wrestling in several states, including New Jersey, Delaware, and Pennsylvania ... Has also toured Africa ... His energetic style is infectious ... Teamed with his former trainer Glen Osbourne in a feud against Brute Force in the ECWA ... Has held several regional titles, including the PCW tag team title ... Has also made several appearances on WWF TV.

288 GREG VALENTINE (6', 243, 28, 270) Teaming with International Association of Wrestling champ Brian Costello ... A former IAW heavyweight champ, he hopes to win the tag title as well ... Remains a master of the figure-four leglock ... Possibly the most accomplished wrestler never to win a world singles title ... Held the NWA U.S. and WWF Intercontinental championships in the 1980s ... Also won world tag team titles in both federations.

289 HATER (6'4", 255, 10, NL) Feuding with Wild Bill Irwin in Minnesota ... Long-time partner of J.R. the Punisher ... A former Pro Wrestling America heavyweight and tag team champ ... A native of south central Los Angeles ... Has spent most of his career in the Midwest.

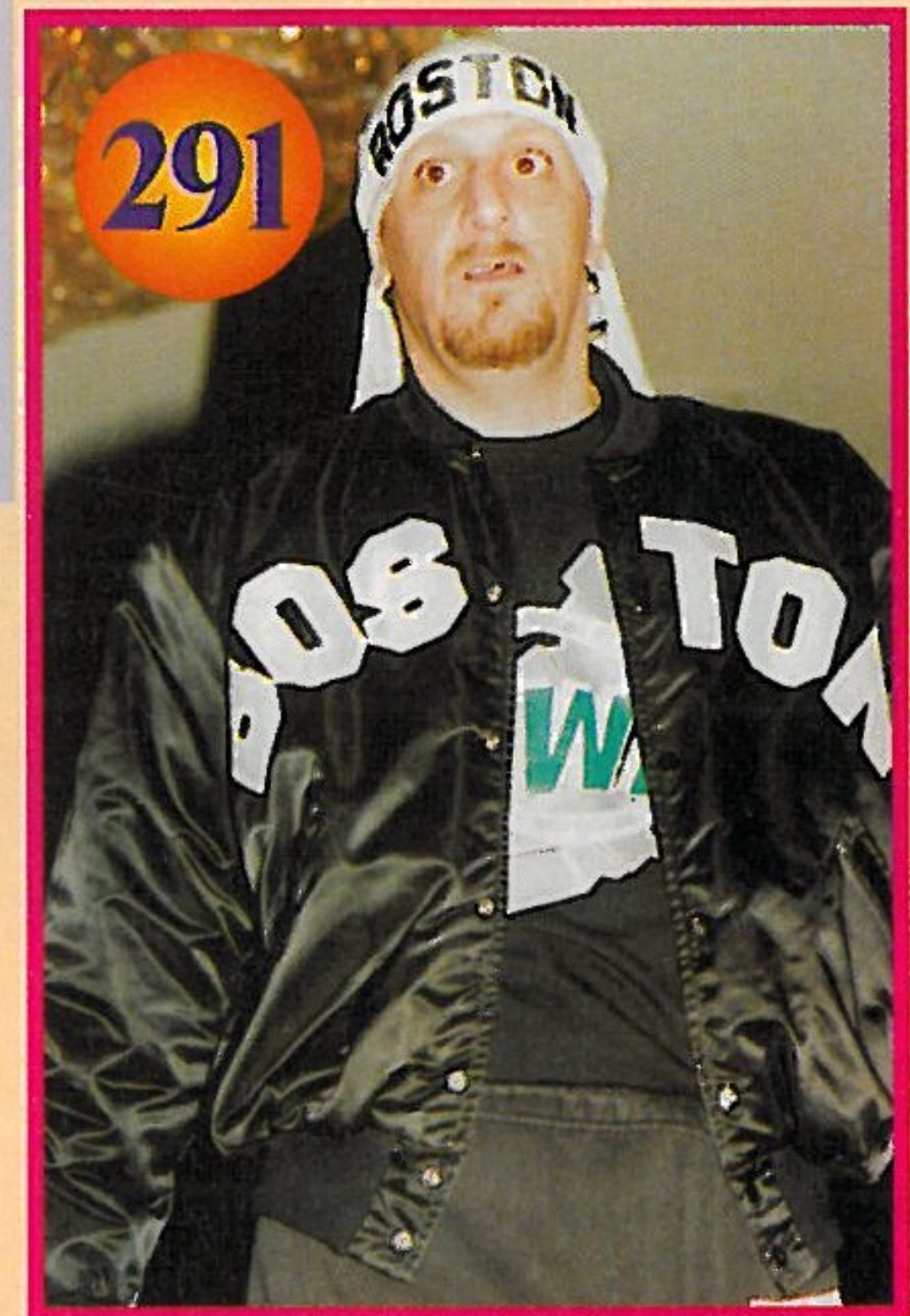
290 ICEMAN (6', 211, 5, 332) This was easily the most difficult year of his career ... Saw friend



Iceman's had a difficult year

Marc the Grizzly turn against him and steal the Quebec title ... Lost the rematch, then formed Wild Thing with young Black Eagle when ex-partner Frank Blues retired in 1998 ... Together, they have captured the Quebec tag championship three times ... He and Eagle battled Access Denied all over Northern Championship Wrestling and even traded the title during appearances in the AWF.

291 TONY RUMBLE (6'4", 245, 14, 334) Began feuding with NWA President Howard Brody when the Board of Governors stripped his charges, Knuckles Nelson and Erich Sbraccia, of the NWA tag team title ... Leader of The Brotherhood ... A former New England champ ... Nicknamed "The Boston Bad Boy."



Rumble: Leader of the Brotherhood

292 ANDRE BAKER (5'9", 240, 19, 335) Fought high-flying sensation Johnny Moss in a first-blood match in Birmingham, England, but it was ruled a no-contest ... Agreed to a chain match later this year ... Aligned himself with "The Business Advisor To The Stars," Mike White ... A favorite to become the first NWA United Kingdom champion ... Seeking rematches with Dan Severn and Chris Chavis (Tatanka) ... Teams with Jim Neidhart during "The Anvil's" British tours.

293 MICHELLE STARR (6'3", 255, 12, NL) This is one tough guy, despite the feminine name ... The current NWA Extreme Canadian Championship Wrestling titleholder ... Also holds the Vancouver Island title ... Gained revenge against Commissioner Dave Republic by wooing away his niece Barbra ... Has competed in British Columbia, the U.S. West Coast, Idaho, and Mexico ... The falling Starr, a version of the Michinoku driver, is his finisher.

294 FRENCHY RIVIERA (6', 439, 6, 321) Defeated Silky Boom Boom for the NWA Georgia State title ... Has also held the NWA Georgia tag championship with Silky and the North American tag team title with Shane Eden ... One of the most agile big men in the sport ... Claims to be a stripper from the south of France.

295 SCOTTY ZAPPA (6', 227, 4, NL) Combines brawling with technical skills ... Improved greatly during his two-year feud with Lenny Lane ... Trained by Brad Rheingans and Road Warrior Animal ... Manager Adnan Al-Kaissie recently dubbed him "Sheik Ali" ... Competes in the Midwest ... Resides in Cumberland, Wisconsin ... No relation to Dweezil, Ahmet, or Moon Unit.



Rambo has upset many superstars

296 JIMMY SHARPE (6'2", 275, 11, NL) A 13-time Tri-Star heavyweight champion and five-time tag team champ ... Competes in the Southeast ... Signature move is the Alabama jam ... Not surprisingly, he has been called a Bobby Eaton wannabe ... Verbally assaults wrestlers and fans alike ... Refers to himself as Jimmy "UR" Sharpe ... Last ranked in the "PWI 500" in 1997.

297 FRANK PARKER (6'3", 265, 6, 302) Teams with Roger Anderson as Death and Destruction ... They are feuding with The Rock 'n' Roll Express ... Parker also has scores to settle with Beau James and Eclipto ... Finisher is the neckbreaker ... Managed by Count Grog in Southern Championship Wrestling ... He and Anderson appeared on WWF *Shotgun* last year.

298 JOHN RAMBO (6'4", 267, 11, 370) Has remained champion of the National Wrestling League, World Xtreme Wrestling, and the Mid-Eastern Wrestling Federation ... His biggest victory was over Mankind in Keyser, West Virginia ... Has also defeated Disco Inferno, Robert Gibson, Rick Morton, King Kong Bundy, and 911 ... Teamed with Terry Funk, Samu, Dink the Clown, and Firebreaker Chip ... Suffered a broken tailbone, a cracked kneecap, and fractured ribs.

299 SHARK BOY (5'10", 175, 2, NL) The Heartland Wrestling Association cruiserweight champion ... Won three matches in one night to emerge victorious in the Pillman '99 Tournament ... Also competes for Louisville's IWA, St. Louis' MRW, and Detroit's ICW ... Finisher is the Dead Sea drop ... Teams with Terik the Great and Chip

Fairway ... Feuding with Chad Collyer ... Combines high-flying moves with "shark bites."

300 JEFF ANDERSON (6'1", 245, 17, 339) Competes in several Southern indies ... Calls himself "The Wildman" ... Holds the Tennessee Mountain tag team title with Tony Anthony ... Their team name is Wild and Dirty ... Kimberly, "The Dirty White Girl," is his manager ... Lost the Tennessee Mountain heavyweight belt to Jimmy Golden.

301 CODY MICHAELS (6', 220, 13, NL) Longtime friend Shane Douglas helped him win the Steel City title from Dennis Gregory ... Has also competed in ECW and in Memphis ... Undeclared at the SCW Arena ... May need to fend off the challenges from The Black T-shirt Squad and former champ Lou Marconi.

302 SCOTT D'AMORE (5'11", 247, 8, 295) Former University of Windsor football standout bounced back from a relatively inactive 1998 ... Pushed Sabu to the limit in a 25-minute hardcore dream match ... Longtime BCW Can-Am champion added WWS and CWA/WWA titles by beating Jim Neidhart and Tatanka, respectively ... Also defeated Edge, Christian, King Kong Bundy, Al Snow, and 2 Cold Scorpio this year ... Voted Canada's top independent wrestler in an online survey this summer.

303 VINNY MASSARO (5'10", 263, 1, 420) Declared All Pro Wrestling's Rookie of the Year ... A true innovator in the ring ... Wrestled a series of matches against fellow rookie Boyce LeGrande ... Finishing move is the Gigolo drop ... A native of Sicily.

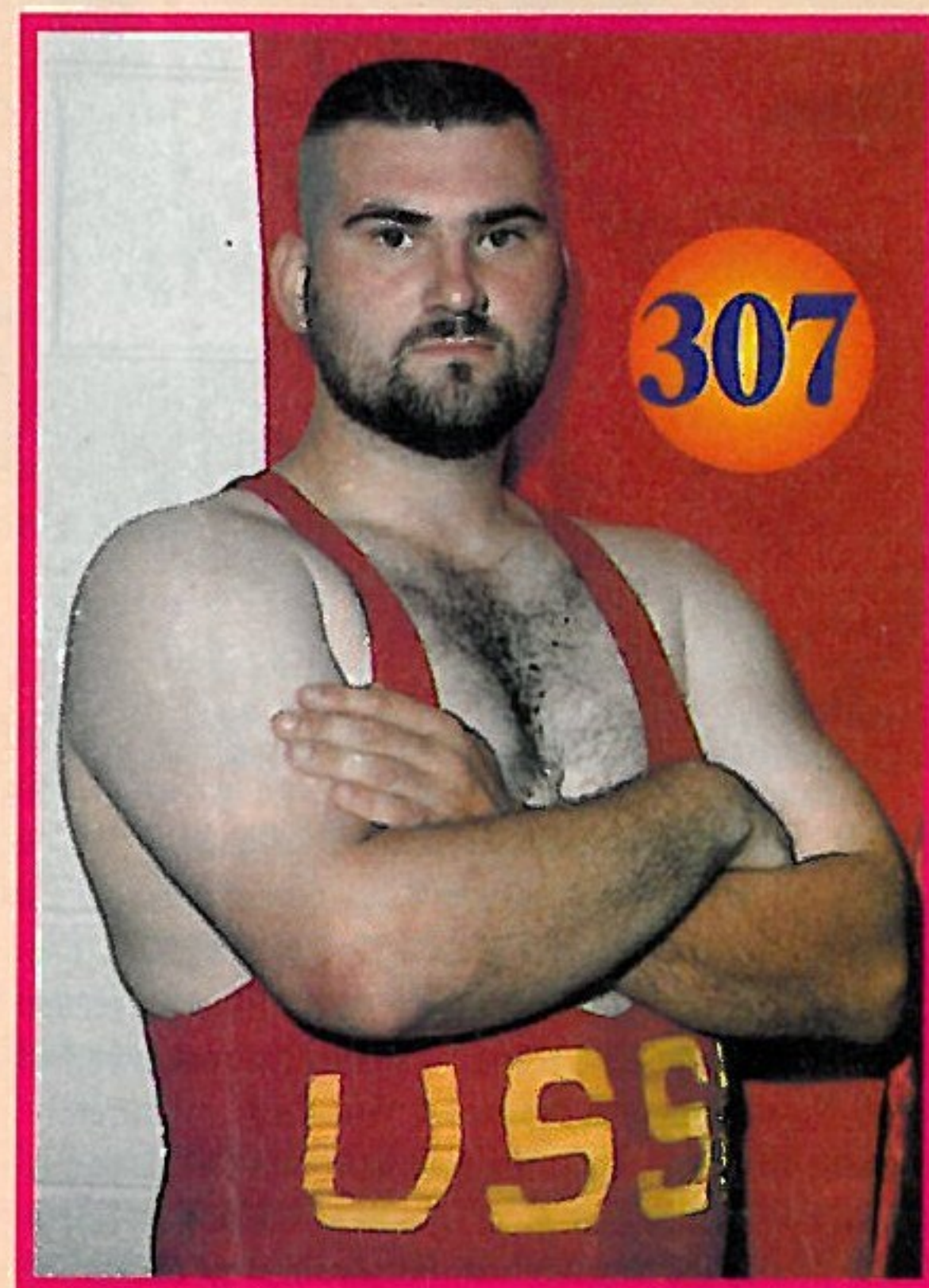
304 DUKE DROESE (6'6", 310, 12, NL) Defeated "Playboy" Bobby Davis for the Florida Championship Wrestling title ... Has feuded with The Cuban Assassin and Hack Myers ... Competed in the WWF in the mid-1990s ... Became a major star in Europe during an extensive tour in 1996 ... Finisher is the trash compactor ... Favorite catch phrase is, "It's time to take out the trash!" ... Once known as Rocco Gibraltar.



Chums with Terik the Great

305 DENNIS GREGORY (6'2", 230, 5, NL) Extremely popular among his hometown fans in Pittsburgh ... Overcame the crooked officiating of Chris Wood to win the Steel City title from Lou Marconi ... Ironically, he later won the tag title with Marconi ... Uses a springboard legdrop as his finisher ... Nicknamed "Golden Boy."

306 SEBASTIAN P. STERLING (6'5", 240, 2, NL) Reached the finals of the first-ever NWA U.K. Ultimate Elimination Tournament on May 27 in Folkestone, England, and pinned Gary Steele the following night in Maidstone ... Hired Mike White to handle his business affairs ... Voted 1998's Most Hated wrestler in NWA U.K.-Hammerlock ... Favorite maneuver is the Sterling suplex (fisherman's suplex).



Time for Dragoff to update his singlet

307 BORIS DRAGOFF (6'1", 250, 5, 314) Regained the Southern Championship Wrestling title from Chris Stephenson ... Feuding with Mr. G.Q. and Otto Schwanz ... Managed by Count Grog ... Signature maneuver is the Russian guillotine ... Has held the ACW heavyweight, North Carolina State, and Great American Wrestling Federation TV championships ... A native of Kiev, Russia.

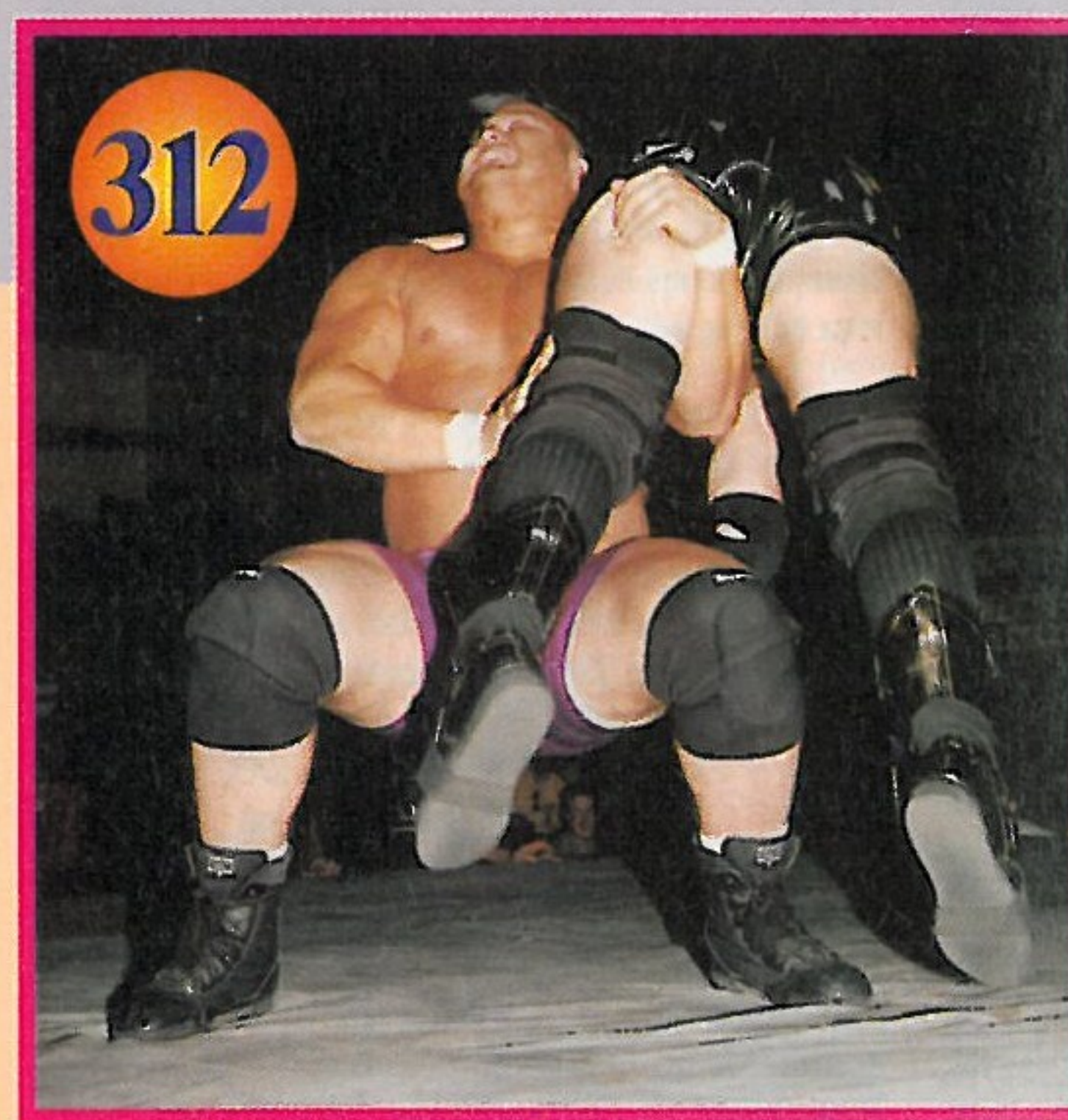
308 THUNDER (6'1", 255, 12, 323) This veteran muscleman is still a favorite of Northeast fans ... Held the ECWA tag team title with Mark Shrader this year ... Is a former PCW tag team champion with J.R. Ryder ... Size makes his repertoire of power moves very effective.

309 DR. DAN (5'10", 235, 7, 359) His five-year partnership with The Orderly has been dissolved ... The two are now feuding ... Begins matches in a light-hearted manner, then gets serious ... Competes in several Southern indies ... Used a kitchen sink in a recent streetfight.

310 JIMMY SNUKA (6', 260, 30, 297) "The Superfly" has been wrestling steadily in the independents for years now ... His feud with The Metal Maniac was one of the most lopsided in wrestling history, with Snuka winning every match ... Fans still rise to their feet when he climbs to the top rope to perform his Superfly leap ... Will probably be best remembered for his courageous dive off the top of a steel cage against Bob Backlund in Madison Square Garden more than 15 years ago.

311 GABE CASTEEL (5'10", 220, 8, NL) Teams with Scott Bishop as part of The U.S. Marshals ... Holds the Cumberland Wrestling Council tag team title with Bishop ... They have also held the ASW tag title ... Number-one contenders to the IUCW and Dixie Pro tag belts ... He and Bishop are feuding with The Memphis Mafia, The Wild Bunch, and The Night Stalkers ... A native of Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

312 BIFF WENTWORTH (6'4", 305, 1, NL) He and twin brother Chaz battled The Pit Bulls at the "Break The Barrier" card held at the ECW Arena this summer ... They won the Independent Pro Wrestling tag team title this year ... The Wentworth Twins are also known as Phi DeKappa U ... Involved in a bitter feud with The Southern Posse ... Before that, they were at war with Buck Quartermaine and Freedom Ryder ... Sir Ronald J. Niemi IV is his manager.



Biff Wentworth drills Pit Bull I into the mat

313 TED SWEET (6'2", 304, 3, 305) Formerly known as Thrillbilly, The Scufflin' Hillbilly, and The Disco Hillbilly ... Now calls himself "The Sharp-Dressed Man" ... Has held the NWA North American tag team title with Shane Eden ... Entertains fans by dancing before matches ... Trained by North American champ The Colorado Kid ... Considered a rising star in Music City.

314 HACK MYERS (6'1", 266, 8, NL) Feuding with Scoot Andrews and Florida Championship Wrestling titleholder Duke Droese ... Once an FCW champ himself ... Billed as "the only wrestler so extreme that he was banned from ECW" ... Most feared for his DDT ... Nicknamed "The Shah," which was inspired by the grunt sound he makes when chopping his opponent ... Managed by Abudadein.

315 CUEBALL CARMICHAEL (6'2", 260, 16, 357) Successfully defended the Independent Pro Wrestling Alliance title against Julio Sanchez at "Break The Barrier" ... Threatening to end the careers of Sanchez and Maryland Championship Wrestling titleholder Tom Brandi ... Holds the Virginia Championship Wrestling belt, along with the IPWA tag title with Jimmy Cicero ... Also competes in Steel City and the Midwest.

316 CHAZ WENTWORTH (6'4", 305, 1, NL) Along with twin brother Biff, he is a member of Phi DeKappa U ... They wrestled The Pit Bulls at "Break The Barrier" in Philadelphia ... The Wentworth Twins won the Independent Pro Wrestling title this year ... Once held the WPFW tag championship with Biff ... Competes in

Florida, Georgia, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania ... Appeared at an IPW card in Lima, Peru ... Managed by Sir Ronald J. Niemi IV.

317 ROGER ANDERSON (6'2", 267, 9, 355) He and Frank Parker comprise Death and Destruction ... Very rugged and nasty wrestler ... Gets a huge thrill out of hurting opponents ... Has held the Southern States tag team title seven times with Parker ... He and Parker wrestled Matt and Jeff Hardy on WWF television this year ... Nicknamed "Ruthless" Roger.

318 TONY JONES (6'3", 268, 3, 462) A tremendous mat technician who specializes in suplexes ... One of the most soft-spoken men in All Pro Wrestling ... Known as "The West Coast Suplex Machine" ... Has held the APW tag team title with Michael Modest, Steve Rizzano, and Jay Smooth ... An NCAA Division II champion at San Francisco State University ... Likes to use inside cradles and piledrivers ... Finisher is a belly-to-belly suplex from the top rope.

319 DEMOLITION AX (6'2", 304, 12, 324) Searching for a partner to make a run at the International Association of Wrestling tag team title ... Ronnie Vegas is looking for a partner as well, but it's still a longshot that these two will join forces ... Held the WWF World tag team title three times, including a 16-month reign in 1988-89 ... Won the IAW tag title twice ... Competes primarily in the Midwest.

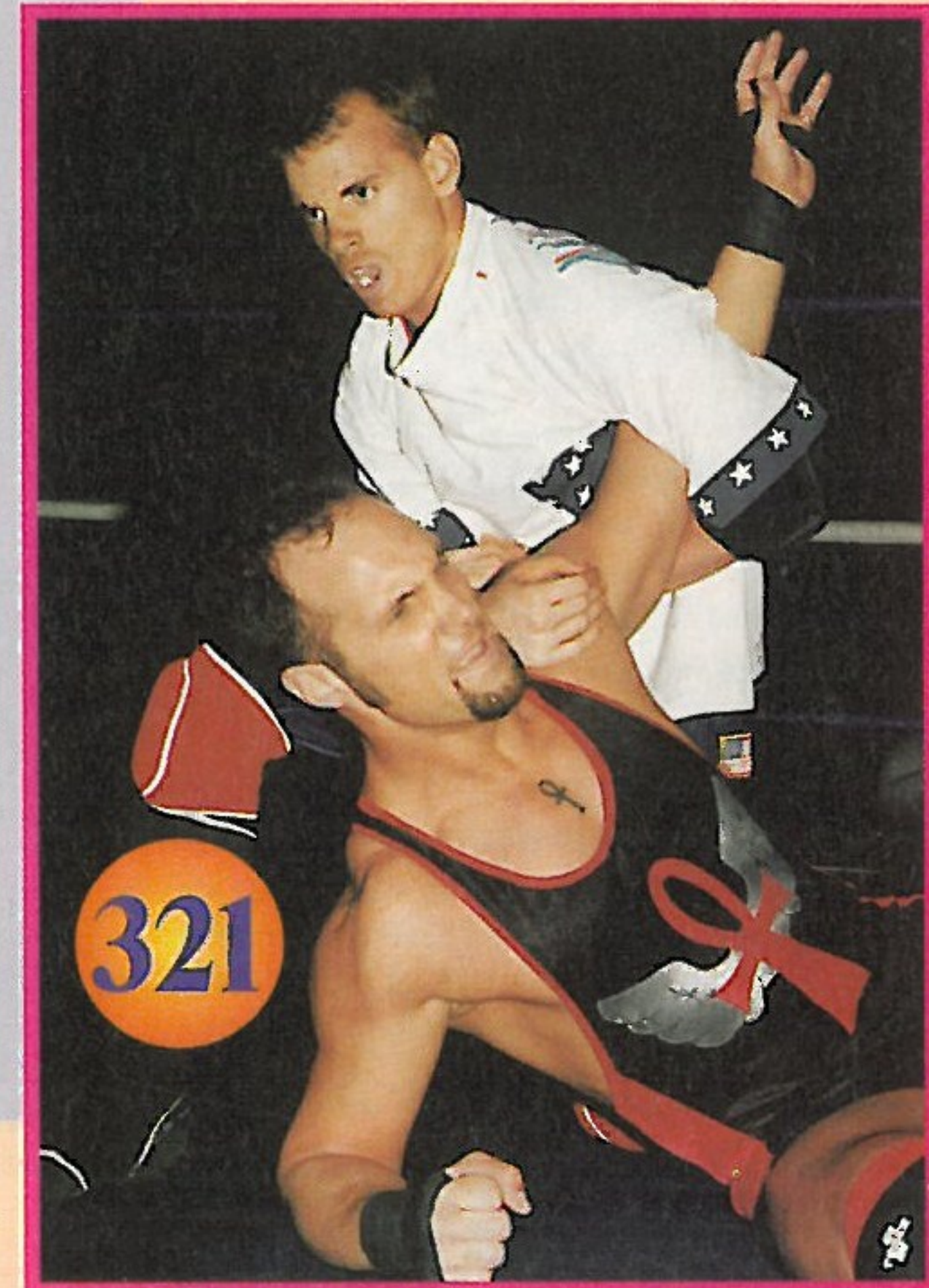
320 SCOTT BISHOP (5'10", 232, 18, NL) Along with Gabe Casteel, is a member of The U.S. Marshals ... They are the Cumberland Wrestling Council tag team champions ... Have also held the ASW tag title ... Top contenders to the IUCW and Dixie Pro tag belts ... The splash and guillotine legdrop are his signature moves ... He and Casteel

have been targeted by The Memphis Mafia, The Wild Bunch, and The Night Stalkers.

321 JEFF PETERSON (5'8", 158, 1, NL) This youngster has made quite a name for himself on the independent circuit ... His daredevil, acrobatic style leaves many opponents either confused or impressed ... Wrestles in the ECWA, PCW, MCW, and IPW in Florida ... Lack of size and experience sometimes hinder his chances of winning ... Despite his weaknesses, he has the talent to become an outstanding cruiserweight in the near future.

322 QUINN MAGNUM (6'5", 259, 3, NL) Joined The Rage with Samu and Mad Mike ... The trio has run roughshod over Pro Wrestling Xpress during the last several months ... He and Mad Mike held the PWX tag team title from January to April, successfully defending against teams like Brian Anthony and Paul Atlas ... The Rage is involved in the biggest feud in PWX history, battling 987 ... Finisher is the .357 Magnum, his version of the blockbuster.

323 ADRIAN LYNCH (6'2", 302, 4, 429) Tried to establish himself as a "legend killer" by picking fights with Jimmy Valiant, Buck Zumhofe, Jim Brunzell, King Kong Bundy, Koko B. Ware, Kenny Jay, and even Sherri Martel ... Won the Northern States tag title with Dan Jesser on May 1 in Minnesota ... Defeated Adam Pearce to become the first All-Star Championship Wrestling titleholder

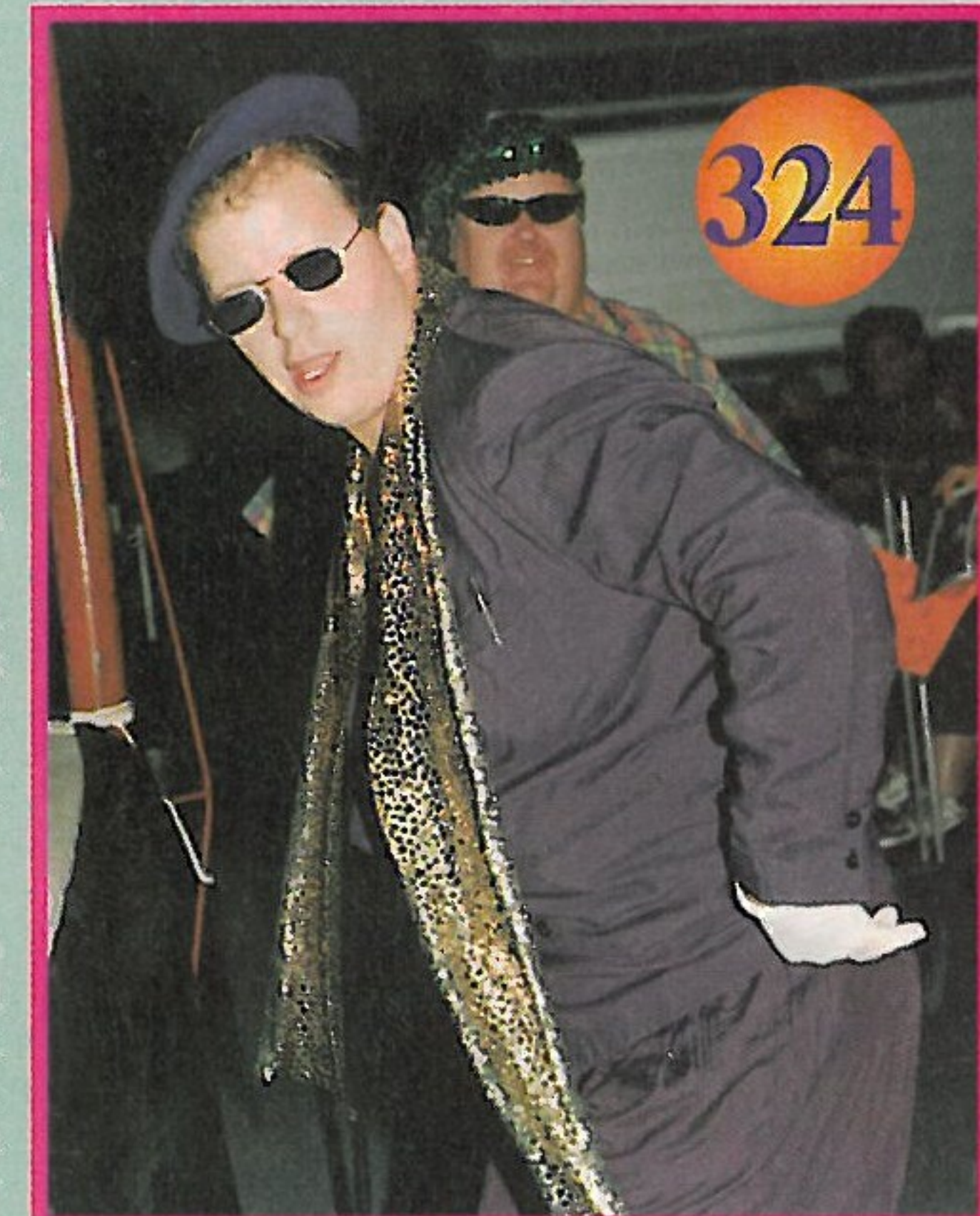


Jeff Peterson grounds Christopher Daniels

on May 28 in Wisconsin ... The union jackhammer, a neck-breaker, is his finisher.

324 MR. OOH LA LA (5'10", 230, 9, 349) This snotty Parisian has improved quite a bit in recent years ... Held the ECWA mid-Atlantic title ... Lost a scaffold match to J.J. the Ring Crew Guy and as a result, had to work as a member of ECWA's ring crew ... His bumbling ring entrance may give one the impression that he's incompetent, but he has solid all-around skills that make him a formidable opponent.

325 BART SAWYER (6', 220, 19, NL) Entered NWA Worldwide/Music City and immediately became embroiled in a feud with fellow veteran Brickhouse Brown ... Gives very emotional interviews ... Held the USWA tag team title with Flex Kavana (The Rock) in 1996 ... Known as "Smart" Bart.

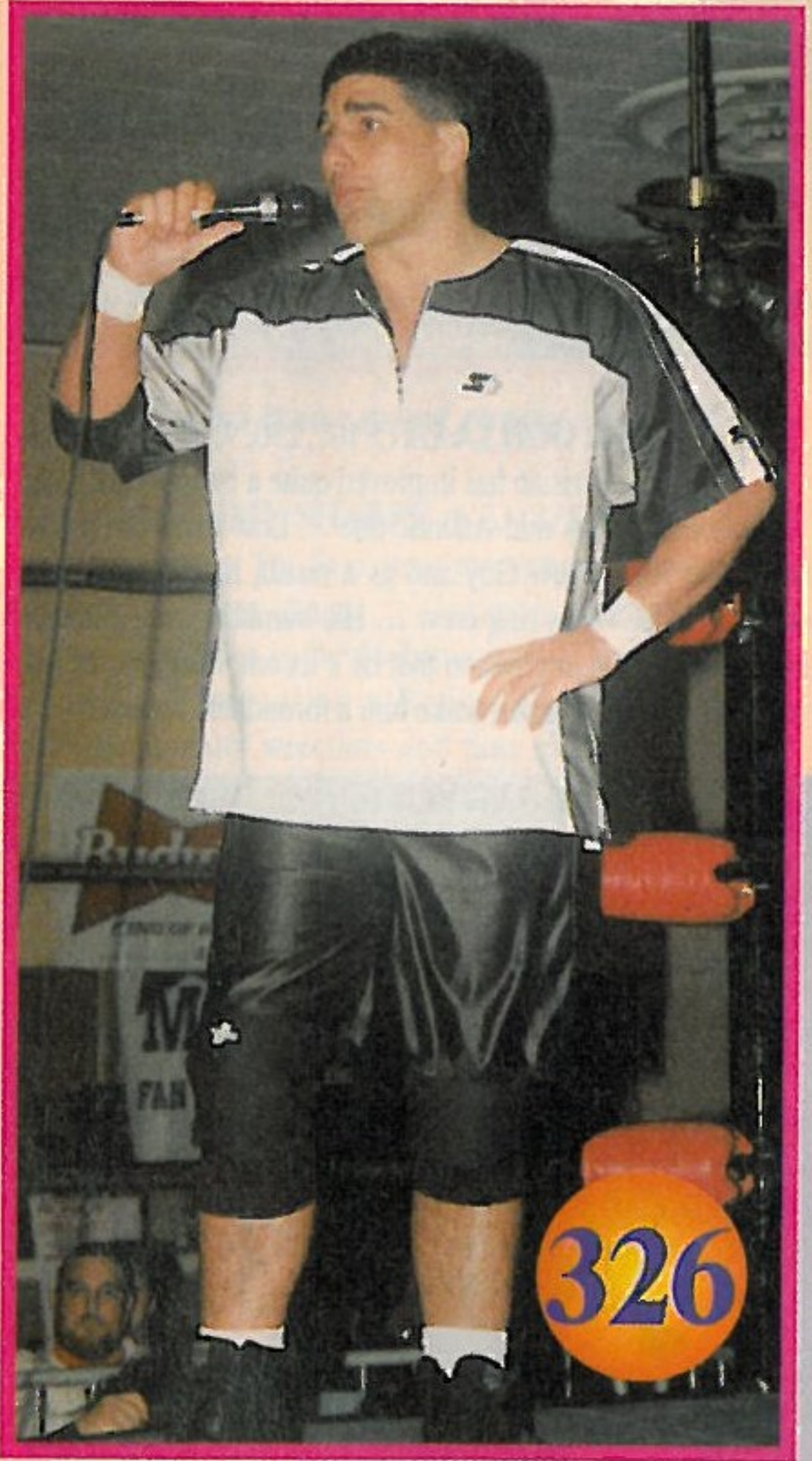


Mr. Ooh La La bumbles his way to victory

326 ROMEO VALENTINO (6'2", 227, 9, NL) Co-holder of the Maryland Championship Wrestling tag team title with Jimmy Cicero ... A two-time former MCW heavyweight champ ... He and Cicero are being chased by Danny Rose and The Bruiser ... Has also teamed with Tom Brandi ... Scored pinfall victories over King Kong Bundy, Chaz, and Stevie Richards ... Feuding with Axl Rotten, Corporal Punishment, and The Family of Freaks.

327 DONOVAN MORGAN (5'11", 219, 3, 436) A broken wrist sidelined him from All Pro Wrestling for the first four months of this year ... Tried out for the WWF and WCW ... Finishing maneuver is the suicide drop, his version of the Michinoku driver ... Changed his attitude for the worse and is now known as "Every Teenage Girl's Pet."

328 DANNY CHRISTIAN (5'10", 237, 8, 406) Holds the Southern States tag team title with brother Bam Bam ... Feuding with K.C. Thunder and Steve Flynn ... Has vowed to rid SSW of P.J. Sharp's entire stable, including Thunder, Flynn, and Southern States champ Beau James ... Finisher is the powerslam.



Romeo Valentino addresses his fans

329 RICK DEEZEL (6'2", 214, 12, 326) Once again holds the American Independent Wrestling Federation in an iron grip as the heavyweight champion and co-holder of the tag team title with Daniel Mayes ... The most feared wrestler in the promotion ... Leader of The Family, which includes Mayes and Brian Danzig ... Competes in North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

330 BIGGIE BIGGS (6'4", 292, 3, NL) Reigned as NWA New York State champion from December 1998 to May 1999 ... Also competes in NWA New Jersey, the International Wrestling Federation, and Jersey All-Pro Wrestling ... Occasional partner of Rocco Dorsey ... Toughest opponent has been Lupus ... A professional rapper with a record deal pending.

331 ROB McBRIDE (6'1", 280, 13, 369) Holds the Global Championship Wrestling title in addition to an amazing number of others ... Also competes in Volunteer Championship Wrestling, World Wrestling Promotions, the Yadkinville Wrestling Alliance, and the Thunder Wrestling Federation ... Had brutal matches against Rick Morton, Manny Fernandez, Jimmy Valiant, and Mr. Hughes ... Assisted by Chris Starr and The Lovely Persuasion.

332 TIM FISCHER (6'1", 223, 4, NL) Competes in World Xtreme Wrestling and Southern California Championship Wrestling ... Wrestled under the name Nick Beat for the previous three years ... Has also competed in the UIWA ... Made a trip to the East Coast and wrestled in the WWA ... A native of Garden Grove, California.

333 CHAZ (6'1", 228, 11, NL) This Chaz predates the Chaz now competing in the WWF ... Wrestled in Texas-based Warriors of Wrestling ... Has held the GWF light heavyweight and tag team title ... Was the third runner-up for the 1992 *PWT* Rookie of the Year Award ... Finishing move is the Chaz-tiser ... Son of Tugboat Taylor ... Known for his classic matches against The Lightning Kid (X-Pac) in the early-1990s.

334 COL PAYNE (6', 227, 4, 361) Belongs to 987 with J.B. Destiny and Big Poppa Gator ... 987 is involved in the biggest feud in NWA East history, battling The Rage (Samu, Quinn Magnum, and Mad Mike) ... In one of the sickest displays ever, Magnum stomped thumbtacks into a screaming Payne's cranium ... 987 emerged victorious with all three of the promotion's titles ... Co-holder of the PWX tag team championship.

335 ATLAS RIVERA (5'8", 215, 2, 385) Defeated James Proper for the Grande Wrestling Alliance title ... Also beat Proper, then known as Alexi Taktarov, for the Continental Americas championship ... Won the Nirvana Benchpress Competition in his weight class for three consecutive years ... Named one of *PWT's* "50 Most Beautiful People" this year ... Stripped of the GWA belt following a neck injury inflicted by Proper in a non-title match.

336 CHICANO FLAME (5'11", 216, 3, NL) A real-life firefighter ... One of the most loved wrestlers in All Pro Wrestling ... Known for his super burrito elbowsmash ... Brought in his distant cousin, Chicano Flame II, to form a very effective team ... Flame II turned against him and joined The Mack Daddy Triple-Xpress ... Talks to children about staying in school and staying away from drugs ... A native of Encenada, Mexico.

337 TERIK THE GREAT (5'10", 188, 6, 434) Former Heartland Wrestling Association cruiserweight champ and eight-time International Wrestling Alliance lightweight champ ... Teams with Shark Boy ... The Terik-buster and the Terik-driver are his finishers ... Describes his ring approach as "American-style Lucha Libre" ... Has sustained few serious injuries despite his high-risk attack ... A native of Checklován, Czechoslovakia.

338 JOHNNY HANDSOME (5'8", 222, 8, 376) "Mr. Infatuation" is a veteran who mixes high-flying with technical skills ... The former Northeast Wrestling light heavyweight champion has petitioned promoters for a rematch against Ray Odyssey ... Also feuding with Juan Xavier in NEW ... Recently hired manager Paul Adams, whose interference has helped him in recent matches ... His interference wasn't much help against Sid Vicious, though. Vicious power-



Biggie Biggs is also a rapper

bombed and pinned him ... Former high school wrestling champion in his home state of New Jersey ... Uses a top-rope bulldog as a finisher.

339 BLACKIE WEST (5'9", 210, 12, NL) A regular competitor in Music City ... Considering a run for Colorado Kid's North American title ... Many rookies try to earn a reputation at West's expense ... Made noises about going to the Peachtree State and challenging NWA Georgia champion Silky Boom Boom.

340 C.W. ANDERSON (6'1", 245, 5, 394) The North Carolina State champion ... Split with his brother, Pat, and began teaming with former enemy Toad ... They are feuding with The Serial Thrillaz ... Competes primarily in Southern Championship Wrestling, with occasional appearances in the NWA and ECW ... Signature maneuver is the spinebuster ... Toughed it out at WCW's Power Plant.



Atlas Rivera plants Reckless Youth

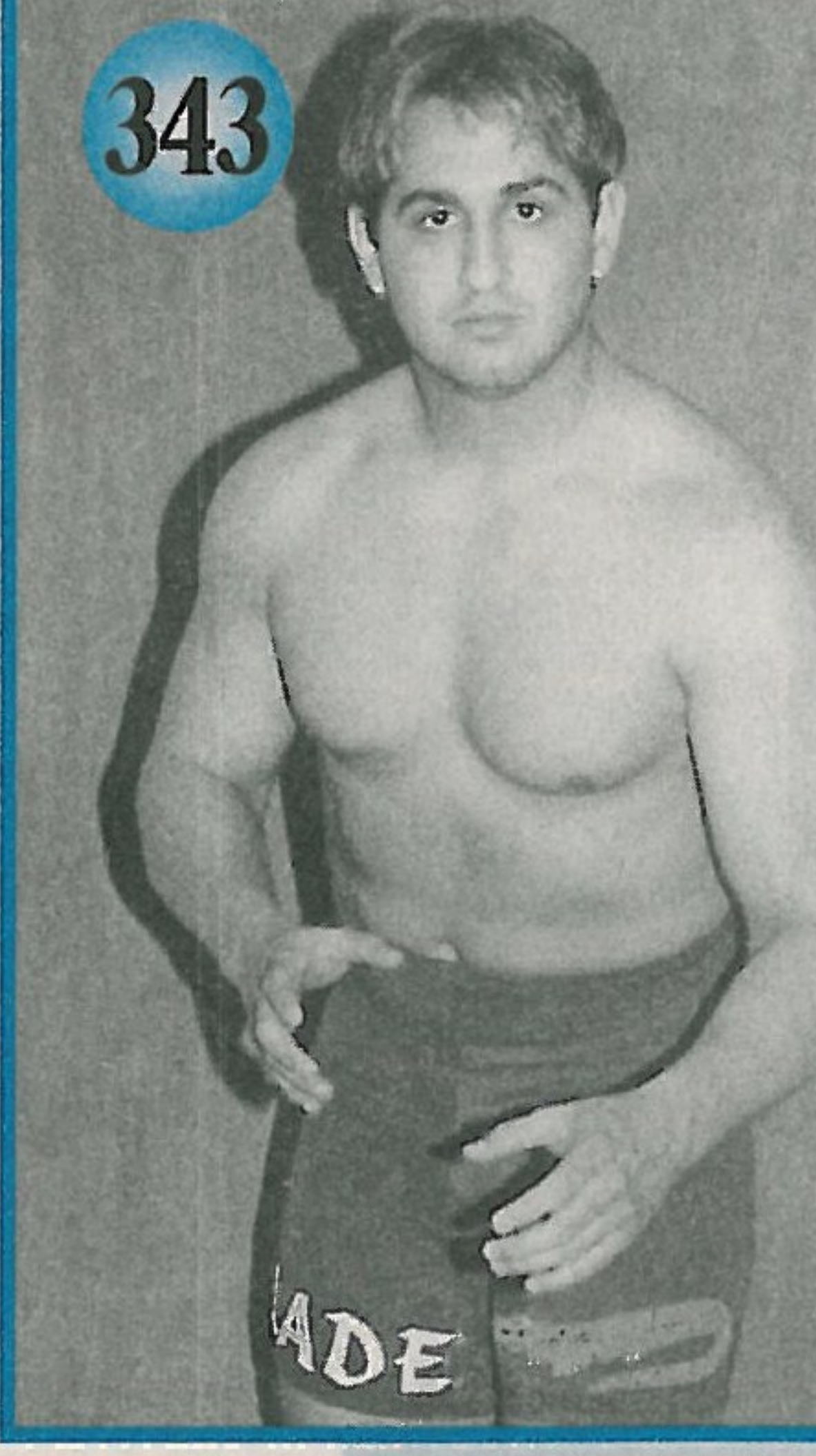
341 TONY KOZINA (5'6", 168, 2, NL) Defended the NWA Pacific Northwest junior heavyweight title 19 times in 31 days during Extreme Canadian Championship Wrestling's "Northern Hell" tour ... Captured the NWA Canadian junior heavyweight title from Robbie Royce ... Hopes to complete the triple crown by challenging and beating NWA junior heavyweight champion Logan Craine ... Suffered bruised ribs this year and missed two weeks of action because of two sprained wrists.

342 KHRIS GERMANY (6'2", 265, 5, NL) This Dallas native is one-half of the Texas tag team champs along with partner Kit Carson ... He and Carson compete for NWA Southwest and are ranked among the top NWA tag teams ... Also held the Texas heavyweight title in February.

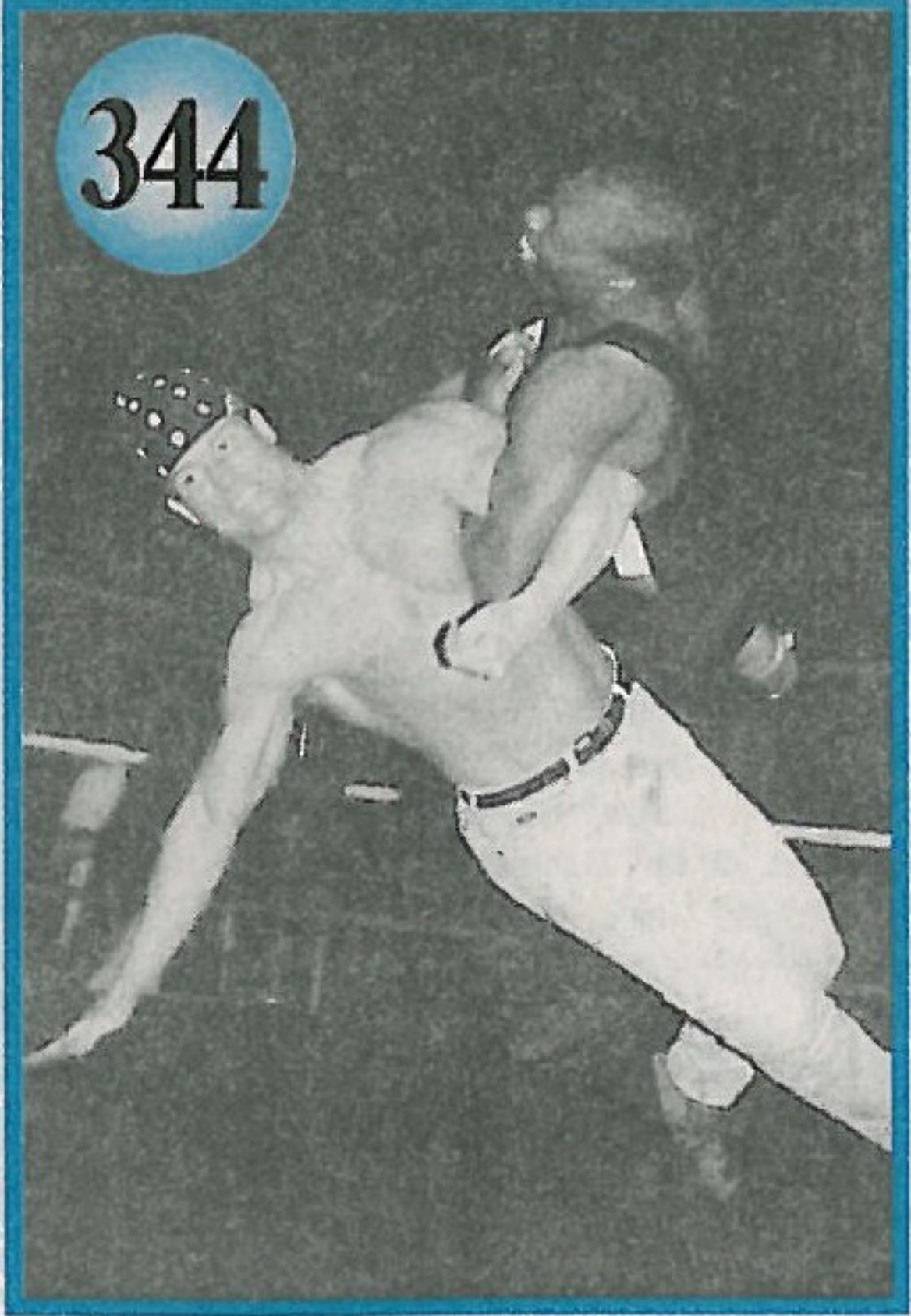
343 BLADE BOUDREAUX (6'2", 235, 4, NL) Defeated Brickhouse Brown for the SGWF TV title ... Competes throughout the South and Midwest ... Recent opponents include Bill Dundee, Dutch Mantel, David Denton, Death and Destruction, and Big Don Brodie ... Feuding with ex-partner Randy Rocket ... Finishing maneuver is the gator-drop ... Has held the CWA, AWF, and WOWF titles.

344 J.J. JOHNSTON (6'1", 210, 1, NL) Also known as J.J. the Ring Crew Guy in the ECWA ... Started out as a member of the ECWA's ring crew, taking care of the ring and crowd control at shows ... Then Mr. Ooh La La started taunting him and challenged him to a match ... J.J. debuted in a scaffold match against Mr. Ooh La La and defeated him ... Quickly became a favorite with the female fans because of his chiseled features and long hair ... Featured in *PWT's* T-shirt ad.

345 DEAN CHAMPION (5'9", 171, 2, NL) His boy-next-door image makes him a favorite of female fans ... Put together a series of victories over former kickboxing champion Tyrone Archer in NWA U.K.-Hammerlock ... Won that promotion's version of the King of the Ring tournament in Pitsea, Essex, in January ... He



Blade gator-drops his way to gold



Johnston moonlights as a ring crew guy and a model

and K.C. McCulloch are feuding with Seek 'n' Destroy (Tony and Dave McMillan) ... Uses the frog splash as his finisher.

346 OTTO SCHWANZ (6'4", 287, 2, 447) Named SCW Wrestler of the Year after winning the heavyweight title ... His favorite move is the swinging Schwanz ... Teams with Cham Pain ... Has feuded with Venom (Joey Abs), but has not been targeted by The Mean Street Posse ... Has also held the North Carolina state championship ... Also competes in Omega Pro Wrestling ... From Grobe-Muschie, Germany.

347 IAN ROTTEN (6', 302, 9, 310) This former ECW competitor can still be found wrestling in violent specialty matches ... Spends most of his time in the Kentucky and Indiana independents, mainly competing in the IWA ... Is the current IWA heavyweight champion.

348 CHAM PAIN (5'10", 202, 5, 424) A former Omega Pro and New Frontier champ ... Also competes in SCW, ACW, NDW, and NCW ... Former exotic dancer who traded in his G-string for a chance to compete in the wrestling ring ... Warns opponents that he's "all pain, no gain" ... His rap album, *Bring The Pain*, is due out soon ... A native of Las Vegas.

349 SHIRLEY DOE (5'10", 230, 4) This Pittsburgh native hails from Dixmont Mental Home ... Although he's mentally unstable, he has held the UWE junior and USWA Ohio tag team titles ... Feuding with Powerhouse Hughes and Super Hentai in Victory World Wrestling and Vladimir Vampyre and Big Neal the Real Deal in Steel City ... Believes he can channel the spirits of any wrestler he has ever seen ... Basically he thinks he can become them and imitate their voices, mannerisms, and fighting styles ... Frequently teams with Lord Zoltan ... Uses a double-underhook DDT to finish off opponents.

350 GOLEM THE GIANT (6'8", 333, 5, 367) Lost the Northern Championship Wrestling Inter-city title to Yvan the Imitator early this year ... Regained it a week later ... Naja Viper

sent him after Phil Belanger when Belanger turned against them and chose Frank Blues as his new manager ... Golem dominated that feud and will likely emerge as a contender to the Quebec title, a championship he held in 1996.

351 RIK RATCHET (5'10", 212, 7, NL) Competes in the NWA, the Independent Wrestling Federation, and International Superstars of Professional Wrestling ... Pinned Sid Vicious on April 26, 1998, in Garfield, New Jersey ... Was embroiled in a feud with Doug Gilbert over the NWA National title last summer ... Held the NWA junior heavyweight belt in late-'98 ... Managed by Bobcat ... Suffered a torn ACL in his right knee in February ... Slated to return in November.

352 HELLRAISER BLOOD (6'1", 235, 4, NL) He and Gutz comprise one of the most dominant teams in the Midwest, The Hellraisers ... They are feuding with Charlie Norris and Mitch Paradise ... His big mouth hasn't won him many fans in *Wrestle America 2000* ... Individually, he has been fighting Primetime for more than a year ... Hometown is Calgary.

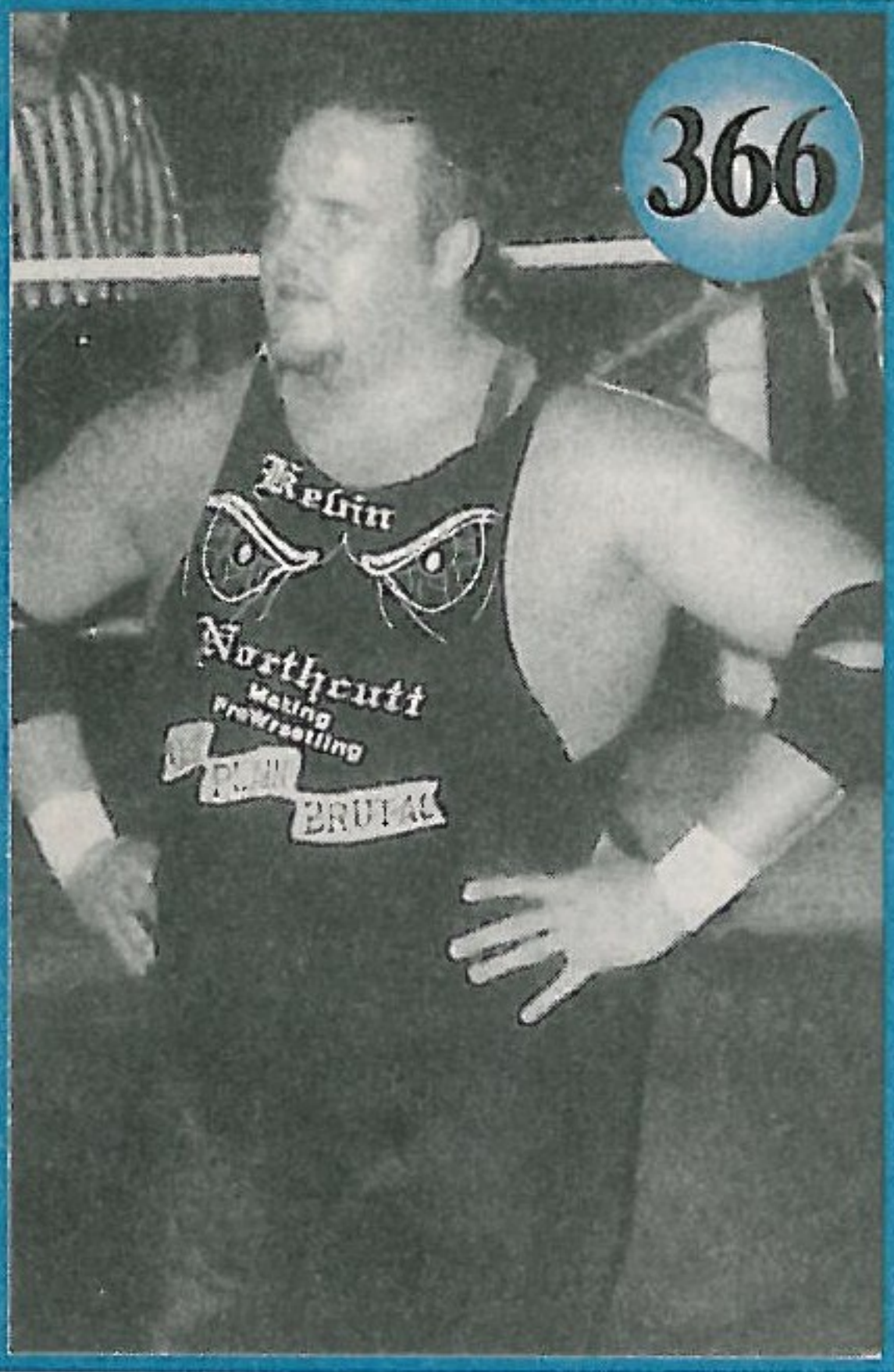
353 SILKY BOOM BOOM (5'5", 201, 5, NL) Beat Lord Humongous for the NWA Georgia State title, then lost it to ex-partner Frenchy Riviera, then regained it again ... He and Riviera, when they were tag partners, were known as Hot 'n' Heavy ... Grew tired of playing to fans, trashed his Silky Boom Boom character, and dubbed himself "The New American Dream." Stardust Dusty Dotson ... Few are impressed.

354 SEAN STYLES (6'2", 274, 1, NL) Debuted in Atlantic Coast Championship Wrestling on September 10 of last year and lost to El Guano II ... The current HCW Great Lakes champion ... Also held the tag title ... Engaged in a bloody feud with Mason Dixon Tri-State champion Punchy McGee ... Has also battled Chick Scott ... Finisher is the spiffy driver ... Also competed in NWA East.

355 MARC ASH (6', 205, 10, NL) Remained the Independent Championship Wrestling titleholder all year, turning back the challenges of Sgt. Craig Pittman, Bobby Fulton, Scotty McKeever, and Lex Reed ... Won his second National Championship Wrestling belt ... His top rival in NCW is Viper ... Renewed an old feud with mentor Ivan Koloff in ICW ... Ranked in the "500" four out of the last five years.



Boom Boom: A.K.A. Dusty Dotson



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Northcutt has flirted with the major leagues

356 KIT CARSON (5'10", 226, 6, NL) The other half of Team Extreme from NWA Southwest ... Dallas native ... Team Extreme is currently ranked as the number-one contender to the NWA tag team title ... Lost only five matches since August 1998 ... He and Khrist Germany are in the midst of their second NWA Texas tag team title reign this year.

357 RIKKI NELSON (5'11", 210, 13, 435) Has been a fighting New Dimension champion ... Escaped a series of battles with former titleholder Tully Blanchard ... Also competes in NWA Mid-Atlantic ... Became a star during his days in South Atlantic Pro Wrestling in the early-1990s ... Has held the Carolina Championship Wrestling title ... Relatively fast and agile.

358 CURTIS SLAMM DAWG (6'6", 293, 3, NL) Competes up and down the East Coast ... Teams with Jay Kobain and Ron Zombie (they're collectively known as The New York Posse) ... Often managed by Jim Cornette ... Feuding with The Mercenary ... Remains an enemy of Tony Rumble's Brotherhood ... A former NWA New England champ ... Finisher is the power bomb.

359 J.B. DESTINY (5'11", 184, 10, 364) This cruiserweight calls Pro Wrestling Xpress his home ... Is one-third of the trio 987, along with Big Poppa Gator and Col. Payne ... Managed by C.K. Fortune ... Has held the PWX tag title with Payne and the PWX heavyweight title ... Beat Samu and Rage in a weapons match ... Has been spending time in Toronto filming a movie ... Finisher is a suisault, a springboard moonsault.

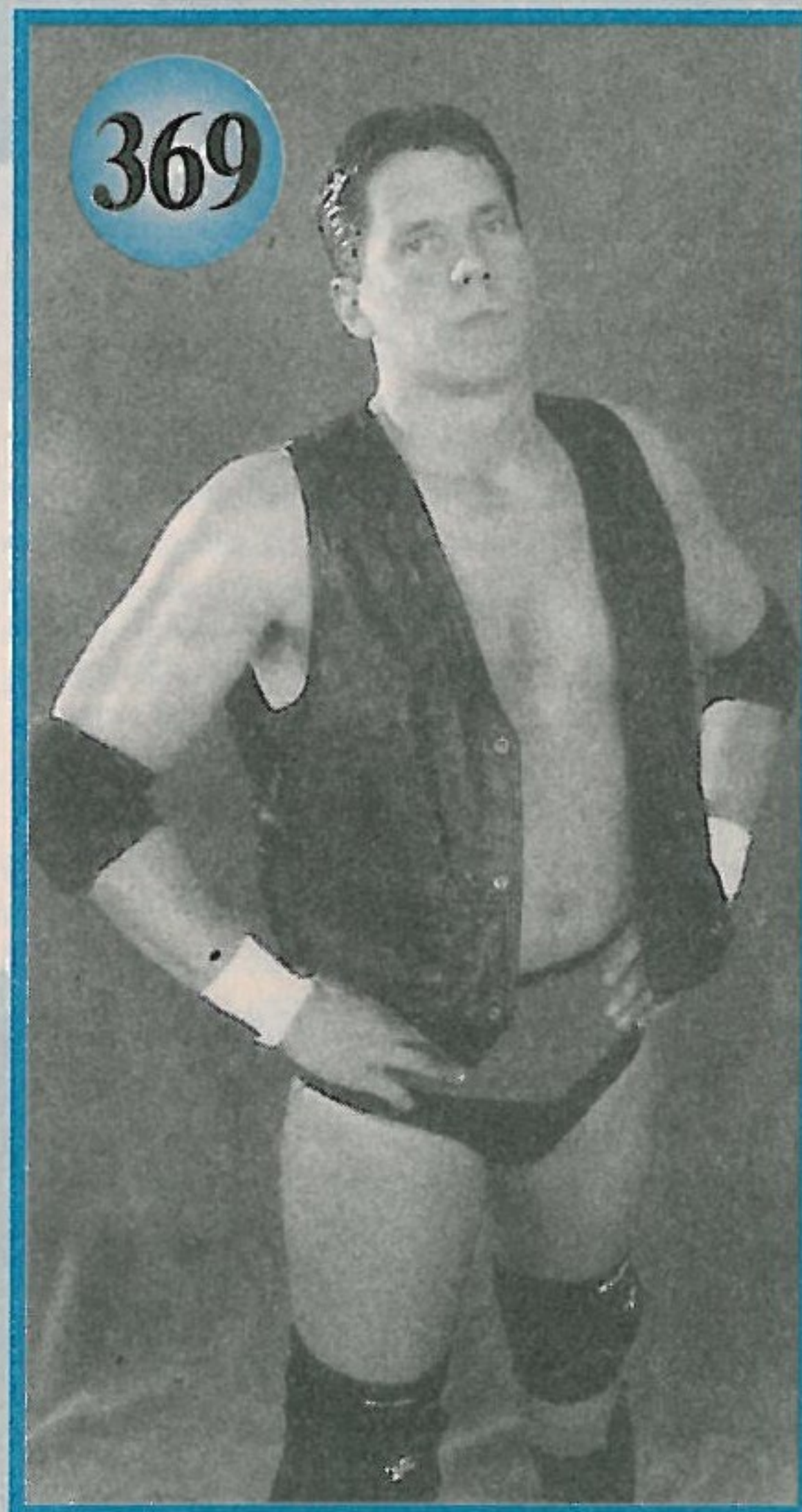
360 JOHN MOORES (6'5", 202, 1, NL) Exceptionally strong despite his lean frame ... Undergoing a strict weight-training regimen to build up his physique ... A popular star in NWA U.K.-Hammerlock ... Sebastian P. Sterling has been using underhanded tactics to defeat him ... Deceptively agile ... Finisher is a flying superkick ... Considered a longshot to win the upcoming NWA United Kingdom title tournament ... A native of Felixstowe, Suffolk.

361 HUNTER THOMPSON (6'1", 290, 10, NL) Has defeated Jimmy Valiant and One Man Gang ... Held the American Pro tag team title with Dr. Feelgood

on two occasions ... Earned the nickname "Hardcore" due to his extreme brawling style ... Competes mostly in North Carolina.

362 JOHNNY GRAHAM (5'10", 212, 12, NL) Savvy ring veteran is very popular with fans in Int'l Pro Wrestling ... Has held several titles on both the East and West Coasts ... Still holds the American Commonwealth light heavyweight title, which he has successfully defended against Rob Noxious and Lord Zoltan ... In the best shape of his career after changing his diet and stepping up his training program ... Finishing move is called the Graham cracker.

363 BRUISER BENNETT (6'1", 245, 9, 372) Co-holder of the Texas All-Star tag team title ... Native of Rapid City, South Dakota ... After spending his entire career in Texas, he has begun competing in the Dakotas and Minnesota ... Cheered in Minnesota but not well-liked in his home state.



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Knight owns a win over Bob Backlund

364 BRIAN DANZIG (6', 218, 5, 396) A member of the AIWF Family, a clique led by Rick Deeze ... Feuded with Abdullah the Butcher ... Has held the American Independent Wrestling Federation light heavyweight, tag team, and U.S. titles ... Competes in North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia ... Wrestled partner Daniel Mayes in a violent cage match in which both were set on fire ... Carries a chair wrapped in barbed wire to the ring.

365 PERSIAN PRINCE (5'10", 205, 17, NL) This is Prince's first appearance in the "PWI 500," even though he has been wrestling since the early-1980s ... A solid mat technician ... Has wrestled almost exclusively in the ECWA during his career. Only recently has he started working for PCW as well ... His prematch prayer is almost always disturbed by his opponent ... Has had several managers in recent years, including Barry Casino and E.S. Easton.

366 KEVIN NORTHCUTT (6'7", 320, 6, NL) Has been involved in a multi-year feud with One Man Gang ... Likes to use a hardcore style, relying upon chairs and tables to punish opponents ... New Orleans native ... Is the current NWA Southwest Texas champion, having beaten Redd Dogg Begnaud on June 10 to get the belt ... Has also wrestled in ECW and WCW.

367 MARC THE GRIZZLY (6', 306, 4, 404) This was the Year of the Grizzly in Northern Championship Wrestling, as Marc won the Quebec title three times and signed with manager Floyd Broffman ... Turned against friends Iceman and Black Eagle, leaving them in pools of blood ... Considered a traitor by the fans ... Traded the Quebec title with Dream Killer after refusing to grant Iceman more than one rematch ... Captured his third championship at NCW's Challengemania card in June.

368 JOHNNY MOSS (5'11", 220, 1, NL) Became a true force in NWA U.K.-Hammerlock in late-1998 ... Earned a lot of respect by standing toe-to-toe with Andre Baker during a tag team match in Birmingham, England ... Split open Baker's forehead in the process ... The split-legged moonsault is his favorite maneuver ... Added a double-legdrop from the top rope to his repertoire ... Proficient in Thai boxing.

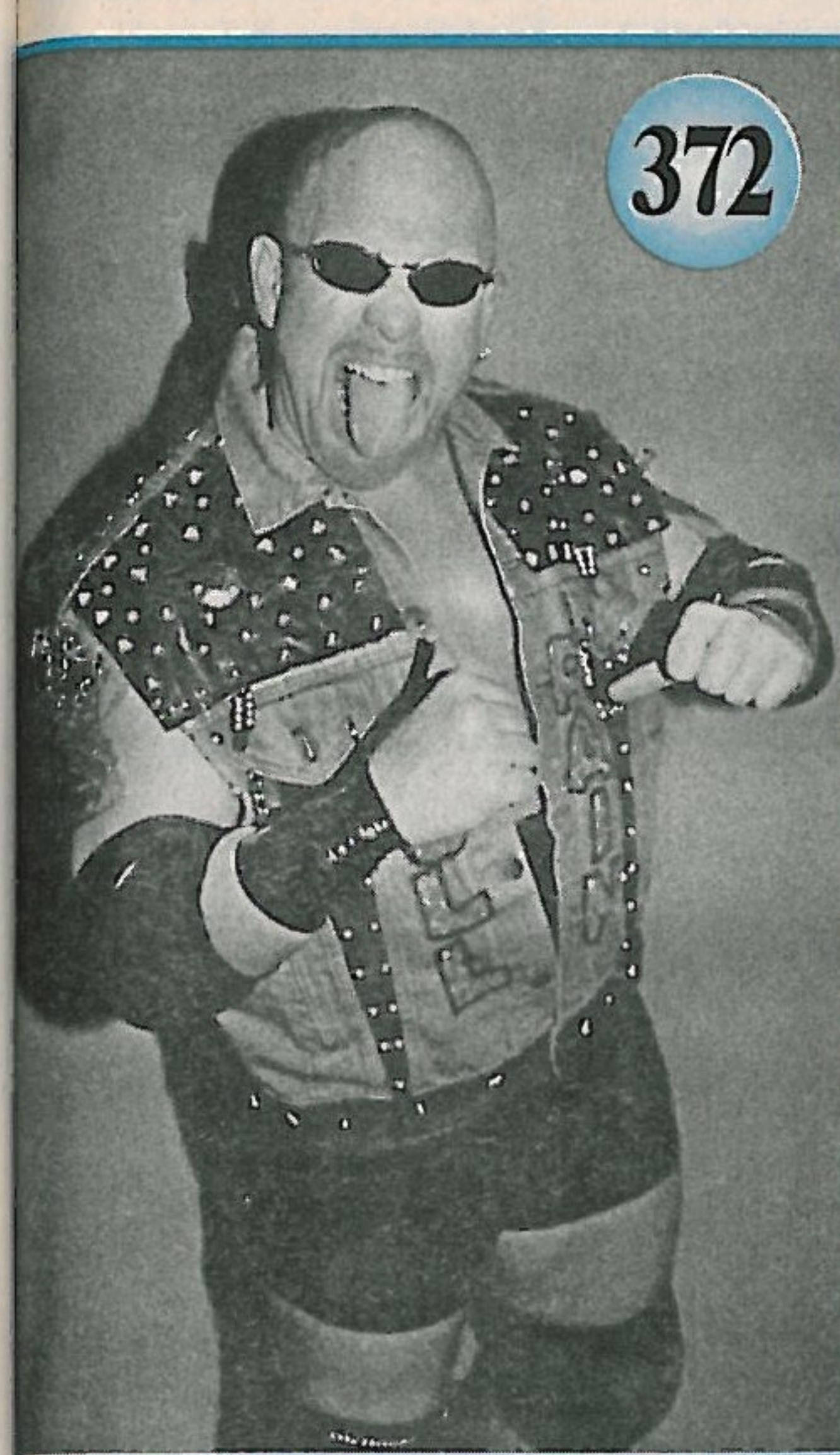
369 KEVIN KNIGHT (6'4", 230, 3, 483) Ended a bitter year-long feud by beating Steve Corino for the IWF American title in a ladder match on March 20 in Nutley, New Jersey ... Defeated Rik Ratchet in a tournament final for the NWA junior heavyweight title on February 6, then lost it to Inferno Kid a month later ... Scored the biggest victory of his career by shocking Bob Backlund on April 16 in Pemberton, New Jersey ... Also competes in ISPW and JAPW.

370 RONNIE VEGAS (6'2", 265, 17, 379) Looking for a partner to challenge for the International Association of Wrestling tag team title ... Becoming known as "The King Of Streetfights" ... Already known as "The Diceman" ... Former IAW U.S. champ ... Competes throughout the Midwest ... A native of Las Vegas.



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Vegas: Not related to Vinnie



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Bull Pain also competes in WCW

371 BORN AGAIN BRAWLER (6'1", 261, 4, NL) His second reign as Christian Wrestling Alliance champion has lasted since May 17, 1997 ... Leader of Spiritual Warfare ... Also held the Southern Pro and Tampa Bay Wrestling Federation belts ... Finisher is the revelation, a cradle DDT ... Helps his fellow CWA competitors spread the Gospel.

372 BULL PAIN (6'1", 260, 18, NL) The Heartland Wrestling Association barroom brawling champion ... Managed by G.Q. Masters III ... Teams with Brian Taylor ... Former International Wrestling Alliance champ ... Finisher is the Pain game ... Tough man with a bad attitude ... Competes in Ohio and Kentucky ... Began his career in the AWA.

373 MERCENARY (6'1", 222, 4, NC) The NWA New England TV champion ... Feuding with Curtis Slamm Dawg ... That conflict may spill over to include Slamm Dawg's New York Posse teammates Jay Kobain and Ron Zombie ... Has targeted the Posse and their manager, Jim Cornette ... Considering a run for Knuckles Nelson's New England heavyweight title.

374 DANNY BLACKHEART (5'11", 240, 8, NL) Feuding with Billy Niles in Ohio's Unified Championship Wrestling ... Battling The Unpredictable Jomott and Ike Jones in Intense Wrestling, another Ohio-based promotion ... Lost to Madman Pondo in a bloody four-corner death match in Cleveland ... Negotiating with Pennsylvania's Pro Wrestling Xpress ... Always tells fans to "go to the dentist and get some teeth."

375 SHAWN CHRISTOPHER (5'9", 215, 4, NL) Has held the Hardcore Championship Wrestling title six times, in addition to the light heavyweight strap ... Managed by Paul Schon ... Has also competed for Tennessee's Continental Wrestling ... Loved in central Kentucky but despised everywhere else ... Finisher is the

dirty deed, his version of the Rock-bottom ... Lives in Hazard, Kentucky.

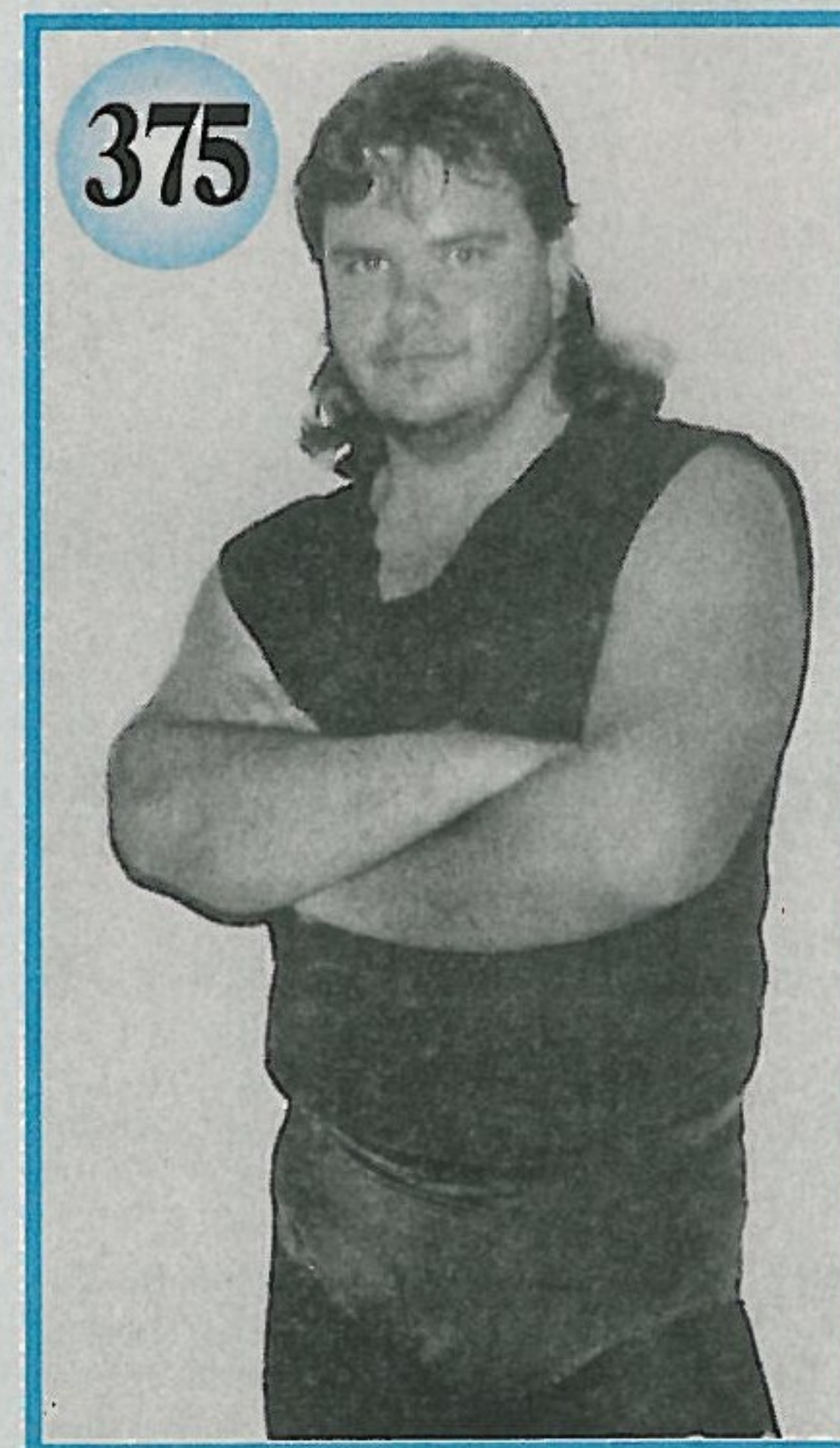
376 HONKY TONK MAN (6'1", 256, 20, 345) Still trying to serenade the crowds with his awful singing ... Criss-crosses the country, competing for independent promotions throughout North America ... Feisty veteran enjoys humbling cocky young indy stars ... Thinks his trademark jumpsuits and long sideburns will never go out of style ... Remains the longest-reigning WWF Intercontinental champion in history.

377 MANNY FERNANDEZ (6', 276, 18, NL) Feuding with Abdullah the Butcher and New Dimension brass knuckles champ Rick Link ... Finishing maneuver is the flying burrito, a devastating flying forearm ... Still battles Jimmy Valiant on occasion, a man he betrayed 13 years ago ... Held the NWA World tag team title with Rick Rude and Dusty Rhodes during the 1980s.

378 FLEX ARMSTRONG (6', 235, 4, NL) Feuding with Florida Championship Wrestling's Rookie of the Year Jason Wheeler ... Recently shaved his head ... Calls himself "Ice Cold" ... The Ice-Cold stunner is his finisher ... Rides to the ring in a souped up Harley-Davidson.

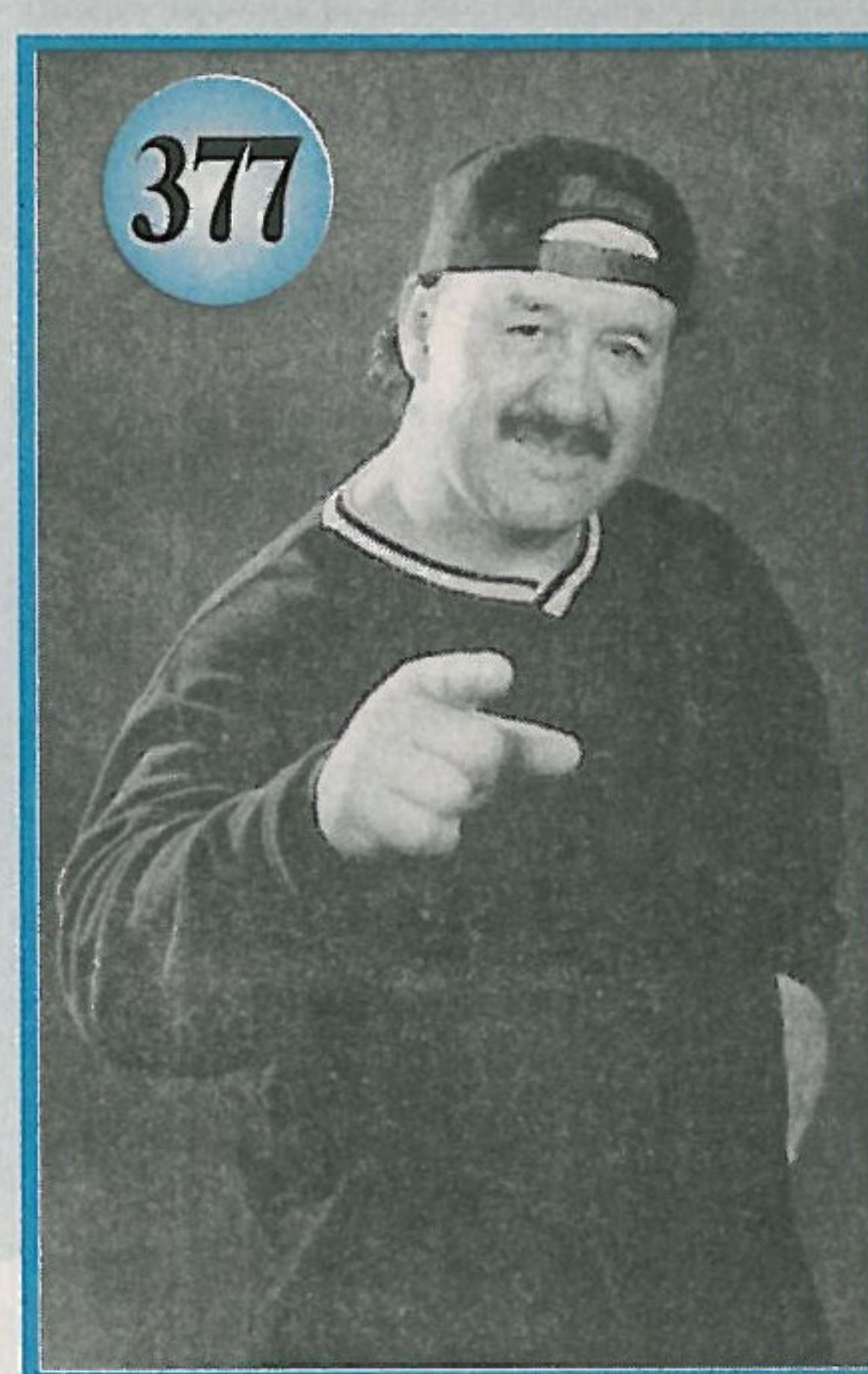
379 EDDIE BROWN (5'10", 230, 2, NL) Feuded with Venom (Joey Abs) and Sgt. Craig Pittman for much of the year ... Won the Carolina All-Pro title this year ... Competes up and down the East Coast ... Based in New Dimension Wrestling ... The corkscrew power bomb is his signature move ... Formed The Nite-Stic Cliq with Delicious Dino ... A former NWA Southern States champ ... Claims "Law And Order," North Carolina, is his hometown.

380 WOLVERINE (5'9", 225, 9, 400) One of the most popular stars in the Rhode Island Wrestling Alliance and the New England Wrestling Alliance ... Has held every title in the NEWA ... Won the RIWA heavyweight and tag team championships ... His five battle royal victories are a record in the NEWA ... Signature move is the DDT ... Managed by Lou Albano ... Vincent of the NWO black and white has been his toughest opponent.



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Christopher does dirty deeds



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Never accept a burrito from Manny

381 WENDELL SMOOTH (5'11", 245, 2, NL) Along with Tommy Steel and Razz, he is a member of The Kru ... Has held the PCW and IWA tag team titles ... Competes in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, West Virginia, and Kentucky ... World Wrestling Promotions is his home base ... The Smooth impact power bomb is his finishing move ... Daredevil style resulted in a broken arm recently ... Trained by Ken Spence.

382 DANGER BOY ALFREDO (5'9", 210, 4, 410) Has a full-time job as a radio personality ... He and Wolverine have held the tag team title in both the New England Wrestling Alliance and the Rhode Island Wrestling Alliance ... Has feuded with Dana Cama, The Brannigan Brothers, Mael, and Davios ... The Cuban missile is his finisher ... Added the Rocker dropper and the flying forearm to his repertoire ... Lou Albano is his manager.

383 SLICKYBOY (5'10", 225, 3, 466) New York native wrestles in a tuxedo and makes sure that his hair is always in place—even in the middle of his matches ... Frequently uses his comb as a foreign object ... Despite his rulebreaking ways, Slickboy has a big fan following throughout Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia ... Primarily competes for the National Wrestling League ... Has feuded with John Rambo and The Grungers in the past year ... Briefly aligned with The Grungers and Prof. Egon Ecton in a feud against wrestlers from Championship Pro Wrestling.

384 HUMONGOUS (6'4", 425, 7, 393) A former Texas All-Star heavyweight and tag team champ ... Once very popular, but has started breaking the rules again ... Speed and agility are impressive for a man his size ... Does numerous TV and radio promotional appearances for TASW ... Managed by Catryna ... From Humble, Texas.

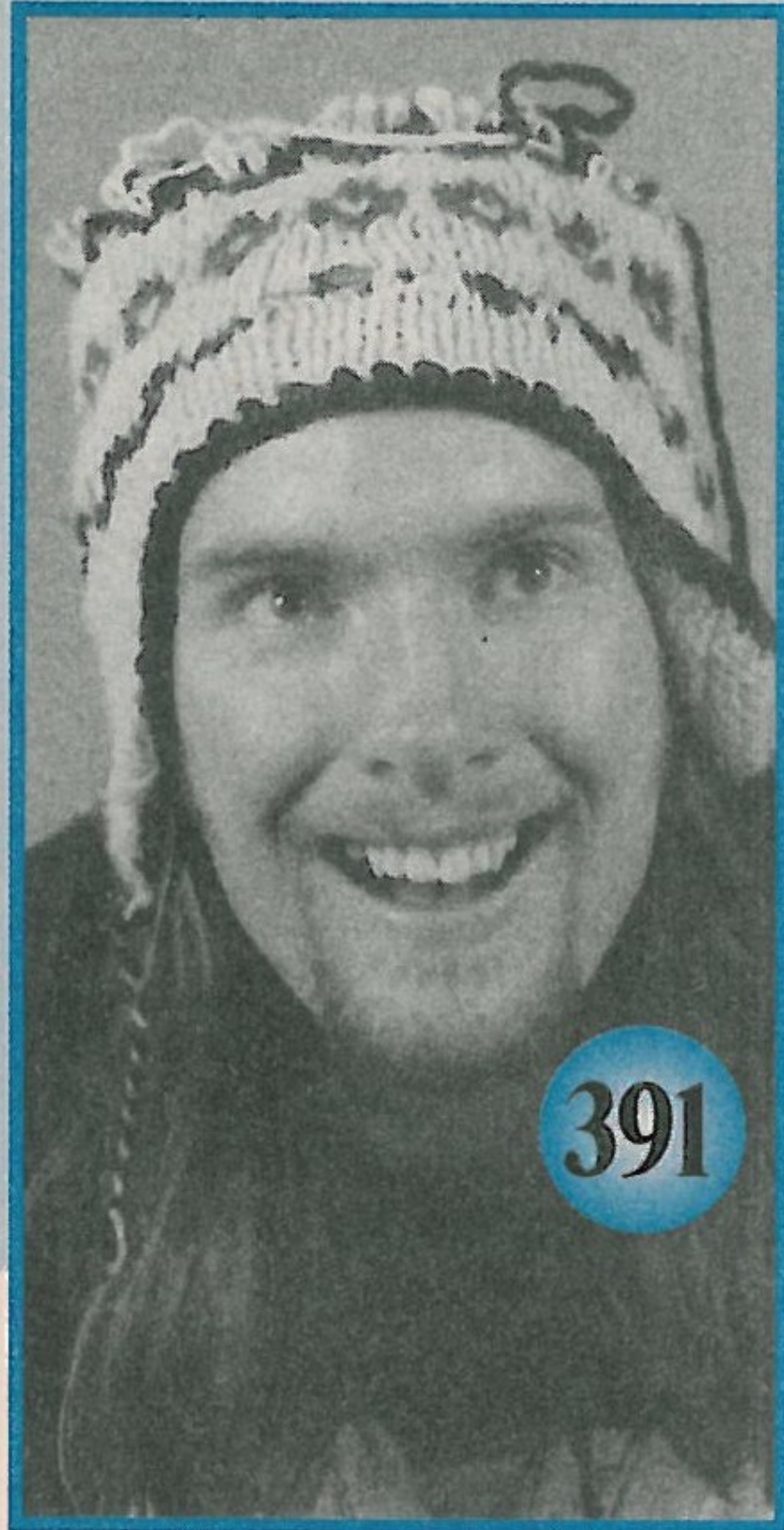
385 MARK MEST (6', 384, 8, NL) Co-holder of the AAW tag team title with Maxx Crimson ... One-fourth of The Intimidators, who have invaded Steel City and NWA New England, among other promotions ... Engaged in a long feud with The Cremator ... The powerhouse and enforcer of The Intimidators ... Finisher is the sidewalk slam ... Nicknamed "Mean" Mark ... Brother of Troy Mest.

To
David
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Lupus is no misfit in the NWA

Captured the belt a second time in front of 10,000 fans in Lima, Peru ... Uses a legdrop with a bit of a twist: He puts his leg in a trash can first.

391 LUPUS (6'3", 225, 5, NL) He and Harley Lewis comprise The Misfits ... A former NWA U.S. tag team champ ... Has held tag titles in the AWF and New Jack City ... Finishing move is the megadeath ... Raven's lackey during his brief stint in ECW.

392 STEVE SOUTHERN (5'8", 215, 8, 390) He and Al Savage feuded with Bob and Scott Armstrong earlier this year ... Claims to be the South's top cruiserweight, but tried his luck against heavyweights in 1999 ... Beat Tony Sweatt for the UCW Alabama State title ... Also competes in NWA Mid-South and the GWF.

393 STEVE FLYNN (5'11", 237, 8, NL) Reigned as Appalachian champion most of the year ... Teams with cousin K.C. Thunder and brother-in-law Beau James ... Feuding with The Christian Brothers over the Southern States tag team title ... Managed by P.J. Sharp ... A mat wrestler who uses aerial moves when necessary ... Claims to be the third biggest thing to come from Sevierville, Tennessee, the hometown of Dolly Parton.



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"Mr. Controversy" owns a nice belly-to-belly

watch out for Steele's belly-to-belly suplex ... Nicknamed "Mr. Controversy."

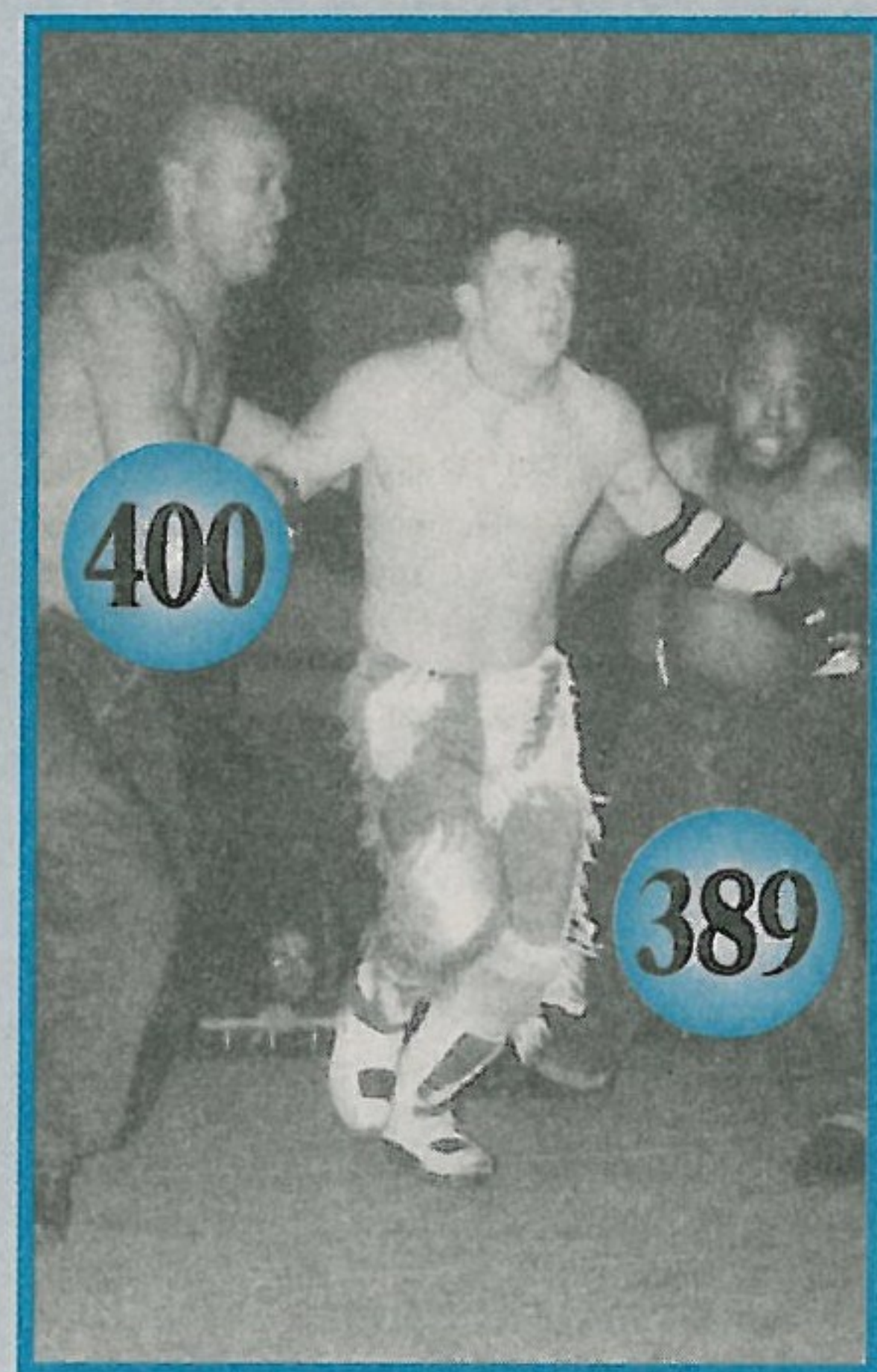
396 SEBASTIAN KANE (6'5", 326, 10, 432) Competes in the Mid-Atlantic region, primarily for East Coast Championship Wrestling ... He and Shawn Rhodes are known as Mass Destruction ... Utilizes an extreme style ... Feuding with Public Enemy and Master Dean Pyles ... Nicknamed "Big Daddy" ... Has held the ECCW tag title ... Finisher is the gorilla press-slam.

397 PROF. EGON ECTON (6', 236, 5, 401) Claims to be from Three Mile Island, Pennsylvania ... A really strange character who comes to the ring dressed in a lab coat and top hat ... Says he's a science professor, but few believe him ... Hated by fans in CPW ... Currently competes on cards in Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia ... Uses the Prof drop as his finishing move ... Has demanded a title match against current CPW champion Shane Shadows.

398 MAJOR HAVOC (6'2", 240, 4, 407) Formed The Natural Born Killers with Robbie Evil ... The two men are strikingly similar in appearance and style ... Feuding with former partner Scorpion ... Wrestles throughout North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia ... Might challenge American Independent Wrestling Federation champion Rick Deeze.

399 STAN PENNINGTON (6', 246, 10, NL) Dominates two promotions as the Volunteer Championship Wrestling and Cumberland Wrestling Council titleholder ... Tim Reed wants to regain the VCW strap ... Must watch out for Reed's piledriver and DDT ... A member of Mr. Windell's Wild Bunch ... Signature move is the powerslam ... Nicknamed "Stan The Man."

400 SYDESWYPE (6', 221, 1, NL) He and 2-Dope have held the Maryland Championship Wrestling tag team title twice ... They recently lost to The Bushwhackers ... Not as successful in singles competition ... Wrestled against Yokozuna, Matt and Jeff Hardy, The Blue Meanie, Axl Rotten, and King Kong Bundy ... With 2-Dope, he is trying to regain the MCW tag championship from Jimmy Cicero and Romeo Valentino.



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Sydeswype and 2-Dope should stick to tag matches

394 BONECRUSHER (6'1", 242, 3, 398) Now competing in Steel City Wrestling ... Former co-holder of the Pro Wrestling Xpress tag team title with Quinn Magnum ... Has also held the World Wrestling Organization tag championship ... A deceptively strong competitor ... The power bomb is his best offensive weapon ... Previously known as B.C. ... Ex-partner of Col. Payne ... The only wrestler to bodyslam the 400-pound Country Boy Chris.

395 JEFF VICTORY (5'10", 235, 9, NL) The North American Wrestling Alliance champion ... Has also held the PWF title ... Managed by Buddy Shane ... The neckbreaker and figure-four leglock are his finishers ... Brian Steele is the top contender to his title ... Must



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He's a Texas All-Star tag team champ, mon

401 ANTHONY ADONIS (6'4", 251, 6, NL) A founding member of FPL (Florida Power and Luvin') ... Holds the Florida Championship Wrestling tag team title with Tony Apollo ... Feuding with Billy Viper ... Calls himself "The South Beach Stud" ... The South Beach stunner is his finisher ... Began his career in Miami's SWF.

402 BRIAN COSTELLO (6', 260, 17, 488) His fourth reign as International Association of Wrestling titleholder has lasted more than a year ... Made successful defenses against Mick Foley, The Iron Sheik, and Dan Severn ... Recently won the CIWA belt ... Earned his nickname "The Crippler" by breaking Paul Roma's neck ... Has competed in the WWF, WCW, and All-Japan ... Competes primarily in the Midwest now.

403 JOHNNY LIGHTNING (5'11", 225, 5, 405) Loved in Mid-Atlantic Sports, but hated in Global Championship Wrestling ... Combines an aerial style with a hardcore attitude ... Managed by Doc Holiday ... Reformed his partnership with J.B. Jammer and captured the Mid-Atlantic Sports tag team title ... Developed a mean streak during his year-long feud with Keith Austin in GCW ... His Lightning strike finisher is an elbow from the top rope.

404 THE RASTA SAVAGE (6'1", 525, 3, 414) The biggest wrestler in Texas All-Star history ... Although huge, he is very agile and has surprisingly stamina ... Co-holder of the Texas All-Star tag team title ... A former heavyweight champ ... Has a mean streak ... Hometown is Kingston, Jamaica.

405 DON CARSON (6', 280, 13, 411) He and Chainz (not of WWF fame) comprise The Tennessee Violence Authority ... They won the American Independent Wrestling Federation tag team title for the third time this year ... Finishing move is the spinning crucifix ... The TVA is feuding with The Badstreet Boyz and Rick

Deezel's Family ... Wrestles throughout North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

406 DANGER (6'5", 295, 4, NL) The Eastern States Wrestling and World of Hurt champion ... Has also held the NBW and USWF titles ... Known as "The Albino Rhino" and "The One-Ton Human Wrecking Machine" ... In The Hardcore Society with H.C. Loc, Johnny Kain, and manager Kenny Casanova ... Finishing maneuvers include the Danger zone (Michinoku driver) and suffocation devastation (choke-slam tiger bomb).

407 TOY DOTSON (5'11", 170, 3, NL) This young aerialist competes mainly in the Tri-Star Wrestling Alliance ... He and partner Adam Jacobs hold the TWA tag team title ... A native of Atlanta ... Favorite moves are a dropkick and the superkick, which he often uses to finish off his opponents.

408 ROB NOXIOUS (5'8", 220, 4, 471) Steelton, Pennsylvania's most obnoxious resident is trying to make a name for himself on the Northeast independent circuit ... Trained by Steve Blackman and Johnny Graham ... Is now feuding with Graham ... Noxious has enlisted the help of manager Harvey Wippleman ... Very powerful for a man of his size ... Powerslam has finished off many opponents ... Has gotten the best of Tommy Idol in their series of matches in the IPW and FWA.

409 J. CASTER (5'9", 242, 2, NL) The "Violent One" has quickly become one of the top wrestlers in Midwest Renegade Wrestling ... Is the current MRW heavyweight champion ... Has also made a name for himself throughout the Midwest, wrestling for the IWA, KAW, WWA, and other indies ... Has an extensive background in shootfighting ... Often competes in brutal chain matches and hardcore matches ... Now a member of The SINDicate.

410 J.T. LIGHTNING (5'10", 232, 7, 412) The Cleveland All Pro North American champion ... Competes in Ohio, Michigan, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Kentucky ... The Arabian facebuster is his finishing maneuver ... Split with manager Freddy Fargo ... A student of the Japanese style.

411 INDIANA KIDD JR. (6'1", 210, 3, 460) Forced to start a singles career after his partner, The Midnight Rocker, was injured ... Ironically, he had defeated Rocker in his debut on July 4, 1996 ... Won a six-man ladder match battle royal to become the first WCWO Midwest champion ... The Convict has been chasing Kidd throughout the region ... The superkick is his finisher ... Not surprisingly, Kidd hails from Indianapolis.

412 HOLLYWOOD KID (6'1", 195, 3, 391) An undercard wrestler in Virginia-Carolina Wrestling until he began feuding with Psycho in 1997 ... His popularity skyrocketed ... Followed Psycho to World Professional Wrestling and won the U.S. title from him on April 1, 1998, in Williamson, West Virginia ... Their feud continues in both federations, usually in the form of barbed-wire, baseball bat, and last-man-standing matches.

413 NATRONE STEELE (6', 227, 1, NL) Participated in the "Break The Barrier" card at ECW Arena ... Has held the World Wrestling Organization heavyweight and toughman titles, as well as the Southern Championship Wrestling brass knuckles strap ... Managed by Roger Kerr ... Finisher is the Natrone bomb ... Also competes in Maryland ... From Pittsburgh.

414 TREACH PHILLIPS JR. (5'8", 220, 11, NL) Son of "Treacherous" Treach Phillips ... Nickname is "Tiger" ... Signature move is the Tiger bomb, his version of the power bomb ... Has held light heavy-

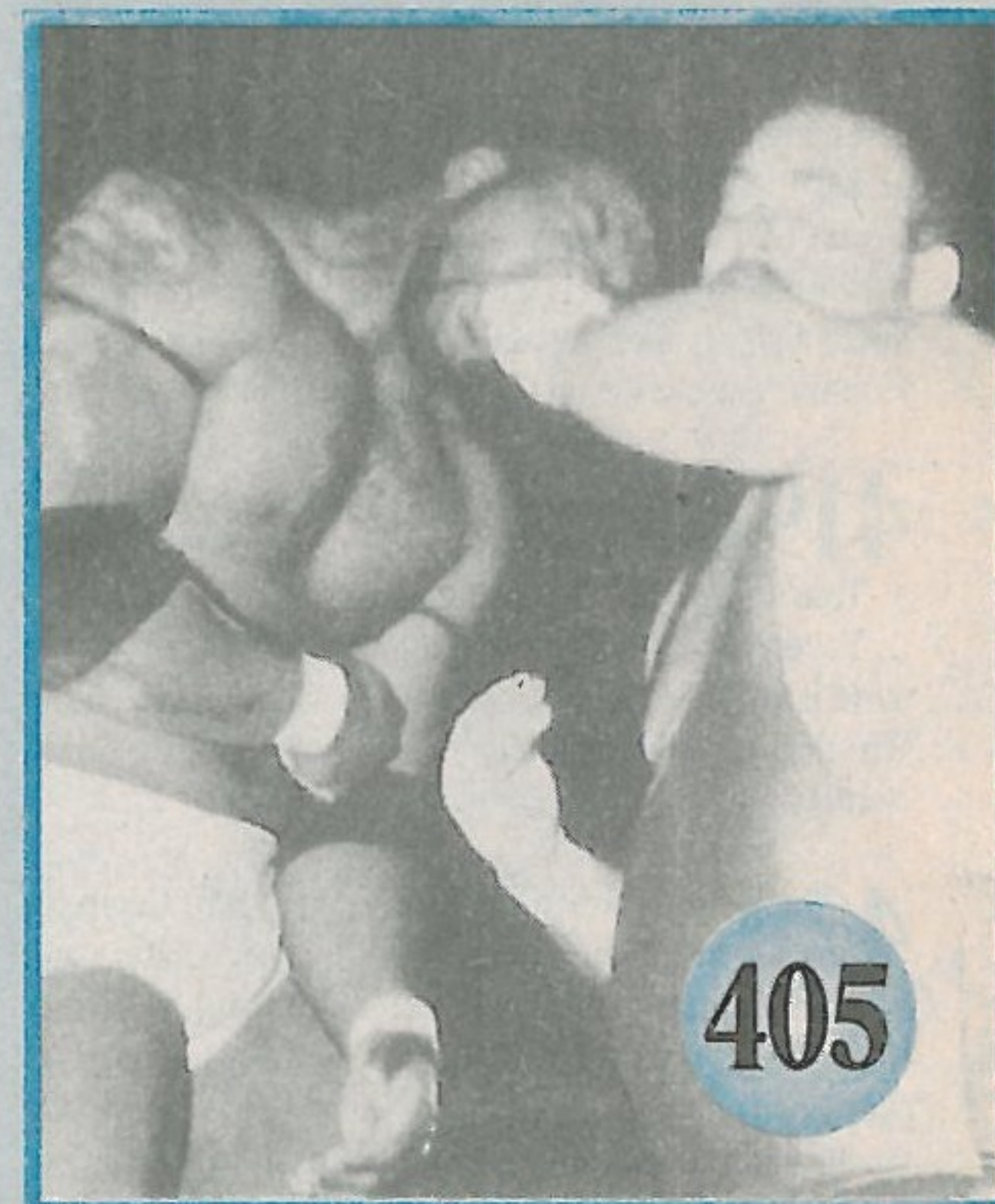


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Watch out for the Natrone bomb

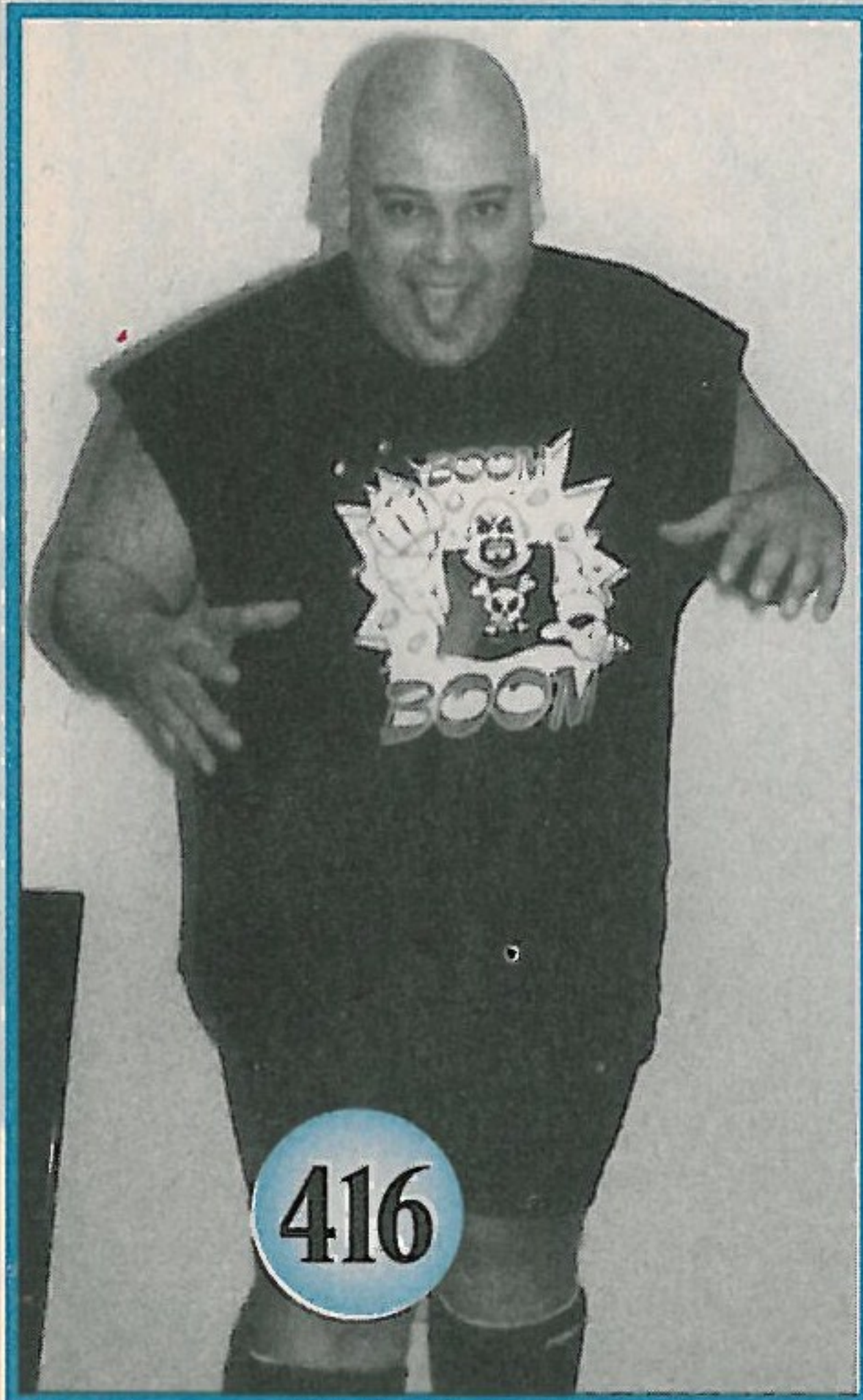
weight titles in Global Pro Wrestling, Inter-Continental Pro Wrestling, and World League Wrestling ... Has defeated Doink the Clown ... Once lost to Val Venis on *Shotgun Saturday Night* ... Competes in Arkansas, Missouri, and Louisiana.

415 CHARLIE NORRIS (6'6", 285, 11, NL) One of the top wrestlers in Minnesota-based Wrestle America 2000 ... Nicknamed "Thunderblood" ... Feuding with Wild Bill Irwin, Bruiser Mastino, The Hater, and The Hellraisers ... Extremely popular in northern Minnesota ... Finisher is a scissor kick to the face ... Has competed in WCW ... A native of Red Lake, Minnesota.



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Don Carson is an authority on violence



Comini's big mouth gets him in trouble

416 BOOM BOOM COMINI (5'10", 337, 3, NL) Known as "The Mad Mosher" in California's All-Pro Wrestling ... Holds the record for the most suspensions in APW because his big mouth always gets him in trouble ... Loves to turn the audience into a mosh pit ... A former APW universal champ ... The avalanche is his finisher.

417 THE IRON SHEIK (6', 290, 26, 423) Fully aware of his legendary status, he invites rookies to take shots at him—then does his best to humiliate them ... Defeated Bob Backlund for the WWF title on December 26, 1983 ... Held the WWF tag team title with Nikolai Volkoff in 1985 ... Competes throughout the United States now ... Reigned as International Association of Wrestling champ in recent years ... An on-and-off ally of Brian Costello.

418 DON BASHER (6', 295, 12, 446) One of the most hated men in Wild Championship Wrestling Outlaws ... With Billy Bart and Johnnie Walker, he has tried to take over WCWO ... Has held the heavyweight title a record five times, most recently winning it from Big Red ... Lost to Rob Ramer in a special stipulation match and was forced to dress like a woman as a result ... Finishing move is the running stunner.

419 TOAD (5'10", 218, 3, 485) Wrestled Ivan Koloff in his "coming out of retirement" match ... Teams with Lodi ... Lenny Lane is rumored to be jealous ... Feuding with C.W. Anderson and Cusic ... Favorite move is the bulldog ... Competes in Southern Championship Wrestling and other indies ... A native of Whipping Creek, North Carolina.

420 CHIP FAIRWAY (6', 225, 3, 500) Competes in the Heartland Wrestling Association and Louisville's International Wrestling Alliance ... A former HWA tag team champ ... Also held the IWA heavyweight and TV titles three times each ... Submission hold is the sandtrap, his version of the Texas cloverleaf ... Valet is Big Bertha, his golf club ... Wrestles heavyweights and cruiserweights.

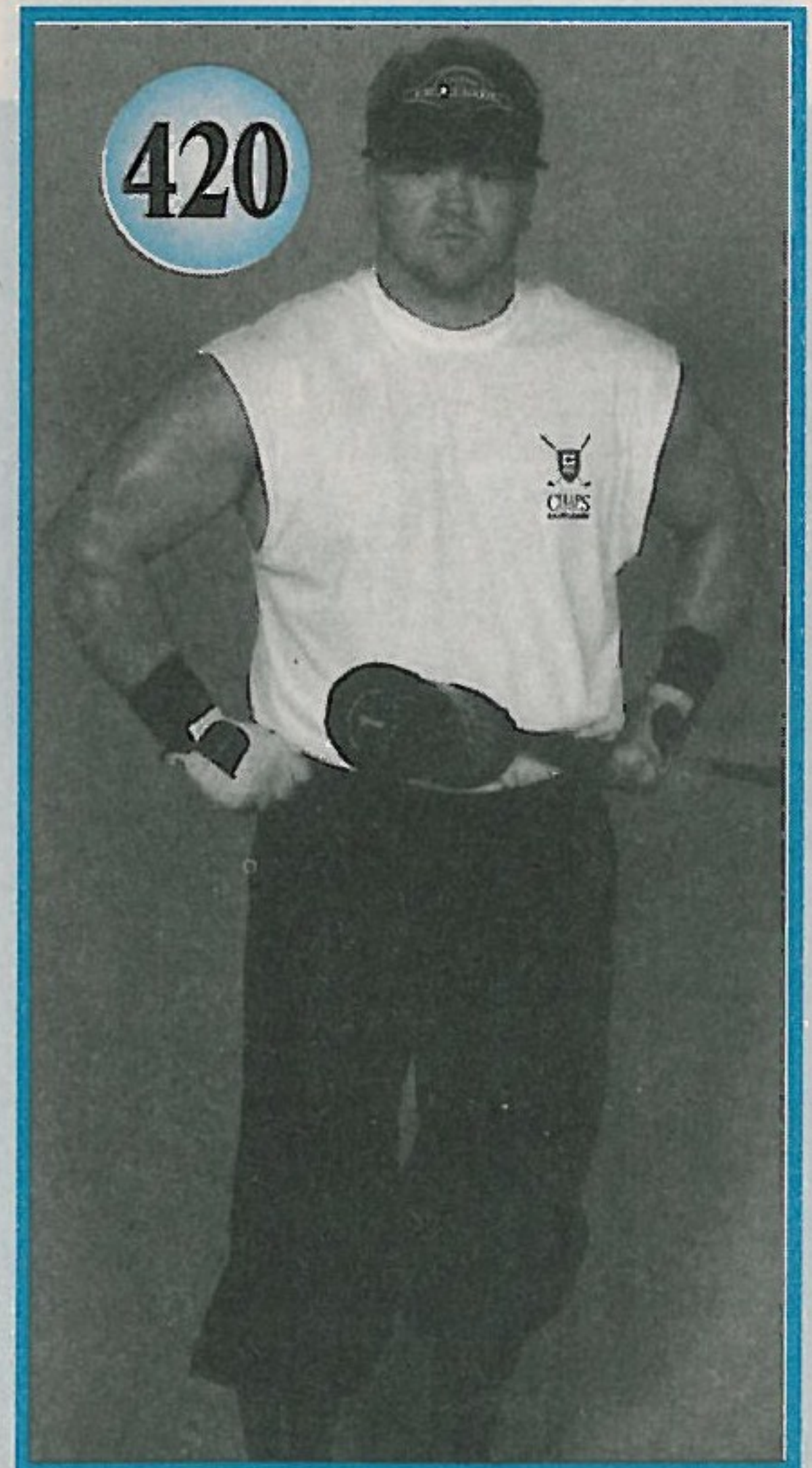
421 MERC THE CRUISER (6'2", 228, 5, NL) The only one-armed wrestler in the sport ... Lost his limb in a car accident ... Returned to the ring on May 1 to defeat Xtreme for the Christian Wrestling Alliance light heavyweight title ... Member of Spiritual Warfare, a group led by Born Again Brawler ... Finisher is the armagon, an arm hold ... Trained by Jim Neidhart ... A native of Brandon, Florida.

422 TY DALTON (6'1", 232, 4, 494) A member of the recently formed SINDicate in Midwest Renegade Wrestling ... Had a bloody feud with J. Caster this year, facing him in a series of chain matches ... A former MRW heavyweight champion ... Has also held the AWA light heavyweight and NMW tag team titles ... Has wrestled across the country for several independents, including APW, KAW, and Top Rope Productions ... Often uses a pop-up Death Valley driver to finish off opponents.

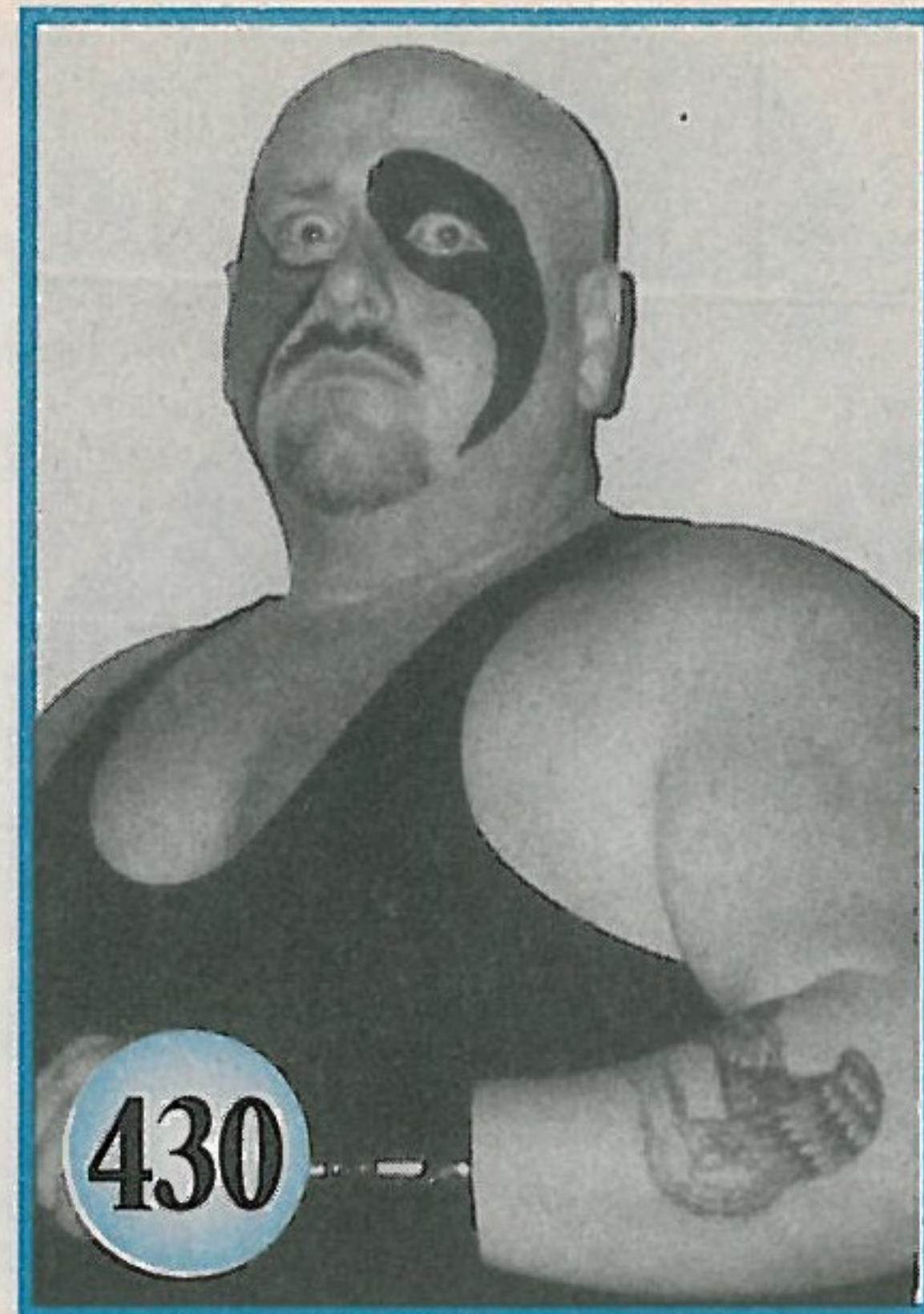
423 ADAM FLASH (6', 214, 7, NL) The first Maryland Championship Wrestling cruiserweight titleholder ... Held the tag title with The Bruiser ... Has also teamed with Axl Rotten and Corporal Punishment ... Wrestled Jerry Lynn several times ... Has also competed for ECW and several East Coast indies ... A native of York, Pennsylvania.

424 AIR PARIS (5'11", 185, 2, NL) Formerly known as Kid Ego ... Uses mostly high-flying moves ... Became the first NWA Georgia junior heavyweight champion ... Feuding with David Young ... Needed to fend off the interference of Young's ally, Bart Sawyer ... Has received occasional help from Brickhouse Brown.

425 TRENT ACID (5'11", 220, 5, NL) Has competed in NWA New Jersey, the International Superstars of Professional Wrestling, and Tennessee Mountain Wrestling ... A former Grande Wrestling Alliance lightweight champ ... Held the Jersey All-Pro tag title with



Chip and his club Big Bertha make quite a pair



Rick Link is a beast in the ring

Billy Reil ... The Acid bomb is his finisher ... Suffered two concussions and received 27 staples in his head as a result of head injuries ... Claims to hail from South Philly, Texas.

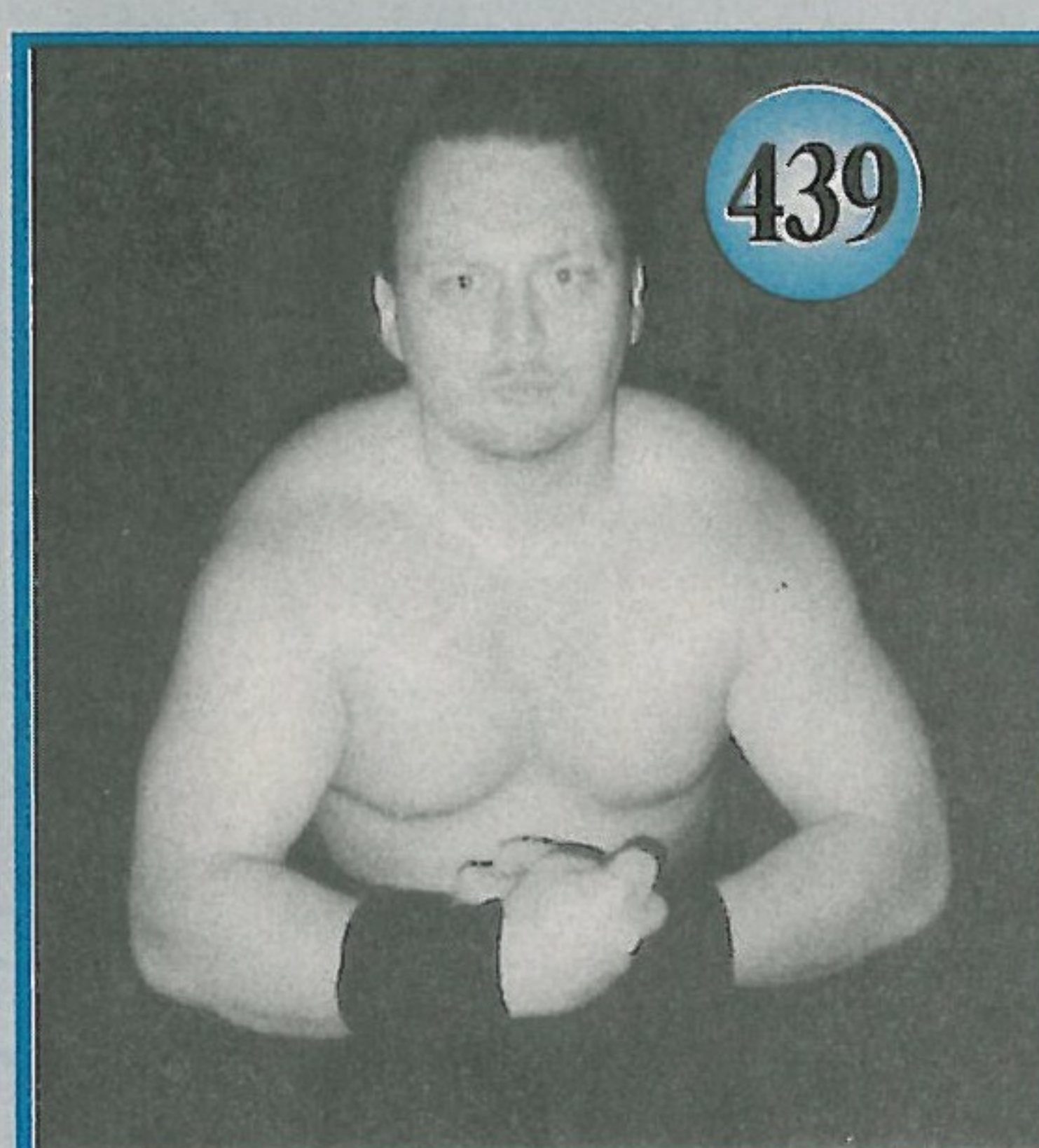
426 J.P. HOGG (6'3", 258, 11, 415) Teaming with his younger brother, J.D. Harrison Hogg ... The two are known as The Wild Hogs ... They won the Bad Boys of Wrestling tag title from Roger Blade and Brad Laymen earlier this year ... Also held the title as a member of The Scufflin' Hillbillies with Cousin Bubba in 1997-98 ... A native of the Ozark Mountains.

427 SHANE SHADOWS (6'2", 234, 7, 448) The current Championship Pro Wrestling heavyweight champion ... Defeated former best friend Bob Keller for the belt ... Now hated by fans in CPW ... Former National Wrestling League champion ... Nicknamed "3S" ("Sexy" Shane Shadows) ... Feuding with Keller and Switchblade ... Very unpredictable ... He can wrestle a scientific match and then pull out brass knuckles to beat an opponent when it's least expected.

428 BULL MILLER (6'1", 297, 18, NL) Ended a two-year stretch as International Wrestling Alliance champion ... Fell into a slump after dropping the title, but is back to his winning ways ... Feuded with Marcus Dillon, then joined him as new members of The Riot Squad ... Puts opponents away with an introverted clawhold ... Has defeated Tommy Rich and Ken Patera ... Competes in Ohio.

429 YVAN THE IMITATOR (5'11", 325, 5, NL) Found success under manager Ben the King after leaving The Cult behind ... Became the first man to hold the Northern Championship Wrestling Inter-city and TV titles at the same time ... Gave TV championship to Ben as a thank-you gift ... Irritated Golem the Giant and Franky the Mobster by imitating them ... Does top-notch impersonations of Goldust and Gangrel as well.

430 RICK LINK (6'3", 362, 18, NL) The New Dimension brass knuckles champion ... Engaged in a wild series of bloodbaths with Abdullah the Butcher ... Also had memorable bouts with Manny Fernandez ... Competes in the Mid-Atlantic region ... Wrestled extensively in the USWA ... His former managers include Jimmy Hart and Downtown Bruno ... Nicknamed "The Beastmaster."



Brian Jones is ready for the Prime Time

431 DINO BAMBINO (5'10", 200, 1, NL) The Mid-American Wrestling hardcore champion ... Won the Badger State Wrestling cruiserweight belt ... Fans like his high-flying style and good looks, but not his bad attitude ... Wrestled in classic matches against Mike Mercury in All-Star Championship Wrestling.

432 PAUL BESWICK (5'11", 215, 1, NL) With a background in powerlifting and gymnastics, he brings quite a presence to NWA U.K.-Hammerlock ... Traveled to the Maryland/West Virginia region and competed in the National Wrestling League, the House of Pain Wrestling Federation, and World Xtreme Wrestling in January and February ... Finisher is a move called the pole axe ... Feuding with Jon Ryan in England ... A semifinalist on the British *Gladiators* television program.

433 VIPER (5'10", 240, 16, 464) This ECWA mainstay targeted J.R. Ryder and Glen Osbourne all year long ... The leader of the tuxedo-clad Brute Force clique ... At least his black mask matches his tuxedo ... Often carries a baseball bat with him to the ring ... A tough brawler ... Former ECWA heavyweight and tag team champ.

434 TROY MEST (5'10", 271, 8, NL) One-fourth on The Intimidators ... Called "The Instigator" because he likes to stir up trouble (appropriate!) ... Had problems countering The Cremator's choke-slam ... Along with The Intimidators, has invaded Steel City and NWA New England, among other promotions ... A reverse slop drop is his finisher ... Brother of "Mean" Mark Mest.

435 RICKY RICE (6'2", 235, 12, NL) Returned to active competition in St. Paul Championship Wrestling ... One of the top wrestlers in the Midwest during the late-1980s and early-'90s ... Often teamed with Derrick Dukes in the AWA during that time ... Possesses a powerful dropkick ... Remains in phenomenal shape ... Has participated in marathons ... Resides in Edina, Minnesota.

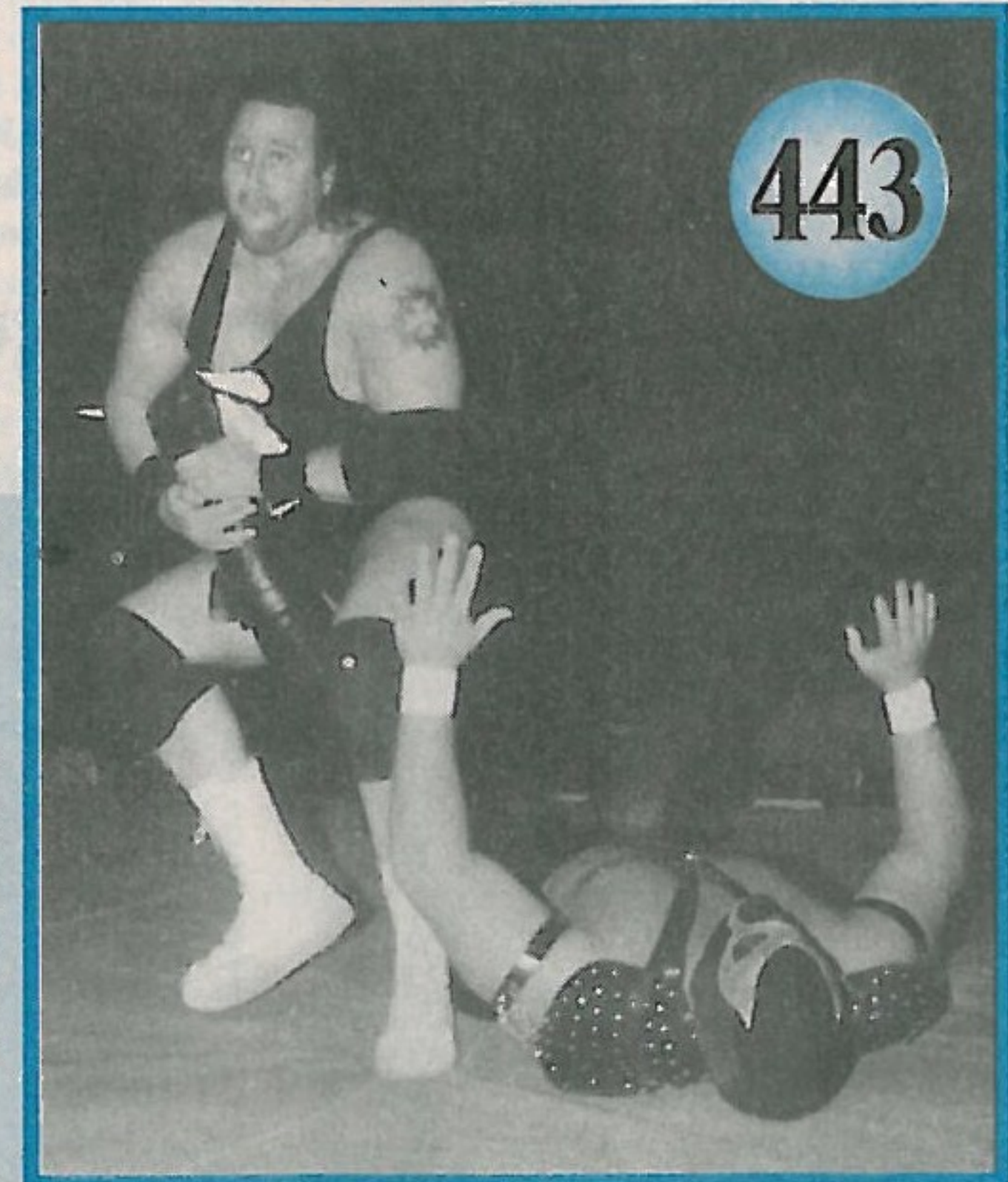
436 TUGBOAT TAYLOR (6'2", 376, 19, NL) The Warriors of Wrestling champion ... Leader of the WOW Warriors ... Signature move is the anchor drop

... Father of Chaz, who competes in WOW, not the WWF ... Competes mostly in Texas ... Became popular during his GWF stint in the early-1990s.

437 HORACE THE PSYCHOPATH (5'10", 255, 8, NL) One of the wildest wrestlers in Minnesota ... Embroiled in a feud with Mitch Ryder in the World All-Star Wrestling Alliance most of this year ... Likes to spit soda at opponents ... Once a patient at St. Peter's Mental Hospital ... A high-flyer and risk-taker ... Competed in the USWA several years ago.

438 BILLY REIL (6', 202, 5, NL) Three-time Grande Wrestling Alliance cruiserweight champ ... Has also held the TMW and IFPW light heavyweight titles ... Has competed in the Northeast, Tennessee, and Australia ... Finisher is the showtime, his version of the Harlem hang-over ... Suffered a broken shoulder and wrist ... Ran O-Dogg out of the GWA ... Has defeated Devon Storm and Ray Odyssey.

439 BRIAN JONES (5'6", 190, 3, NL) Held both the Thunder Mountain heavyweight and junior heavyweight titles until the TMW commissioner forced him to vacate the junior championship ... Still undefeated in that promotion ... Also



Harley Lewis loves to inflict pain

reigns as Tri-State champion ... Competes in West Virginia, Ohio, and Kentucky ... A scientific wrestler with some high-flying moves ... The gourdbuster is his finisher ... Trained by Bobby Blaze.

440 ELVIS ELLIOTT (6', 243, 3, NL) The Great Lakes Wrestling Alliance heavyweight champ and the Global Wrestling Alliance TV champ ... He and Scott Stone are four-time GWA tag titleholders ... They are feuding with Public Enemy ... Finishing move is the moonsault ... Has wrestled in the WWF ... Trained by Al Snow and D-Lo Brown ... Is now the head trainer at Body-slamers Pro Wrestling School.

441 DAN COOLEY (6'3", 235, 10, NL) Son of Mad Jack, one of West Virginia's most infamous wrestlers ... Cooley is the opposite: He's good-look-

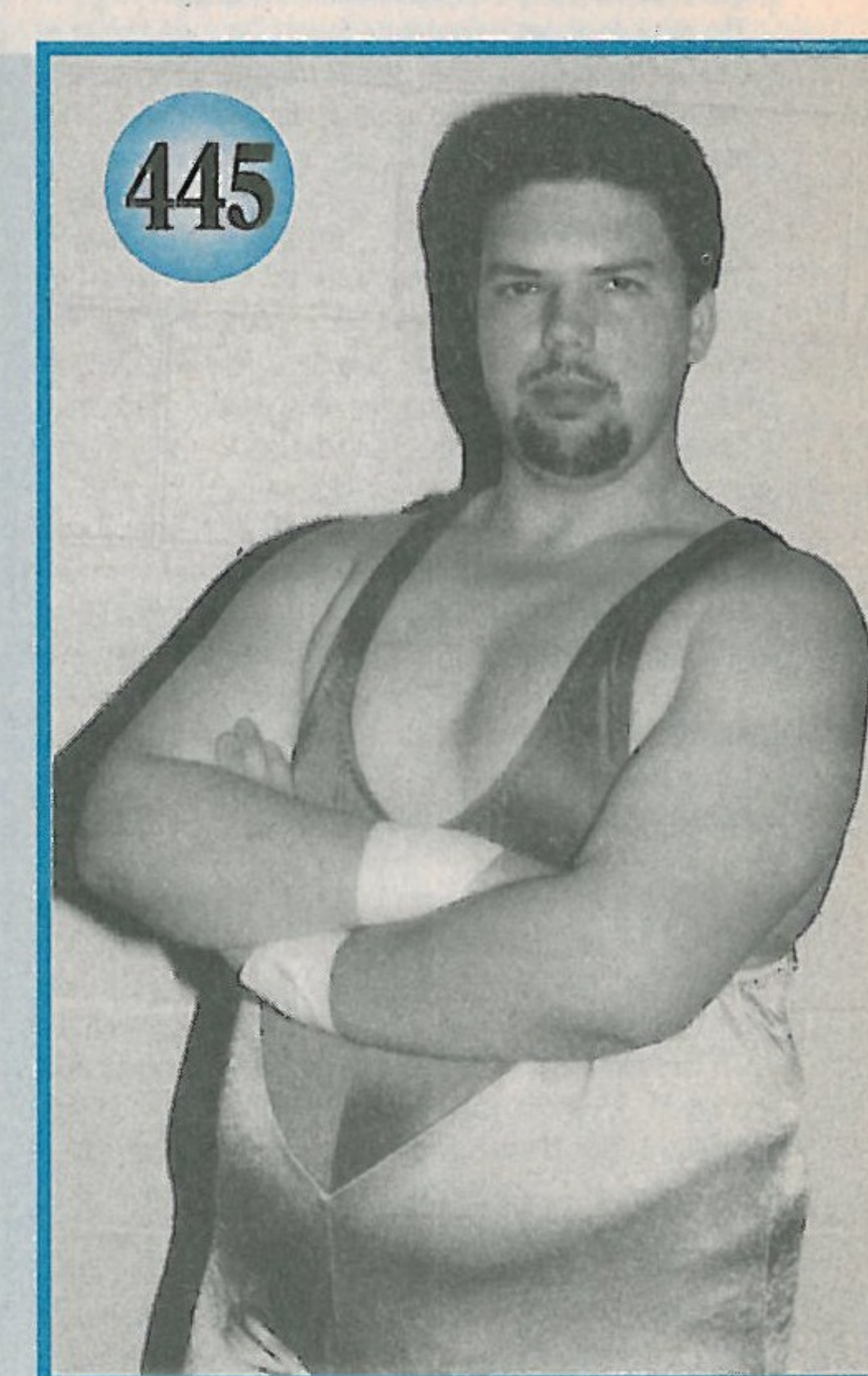
ing and never cheats ... One of the few wrestlers in World Professional Wrestling for whom women actually cheer ... Has feuded with Psycho and "Adorable" Danny Ray ... Holds the WPW tag team title with his father's former rival Steve Podunavac.

442 BILLY JOE EATON (6'2", 245, 6, NL) A star in Wisconsin's Mid-American Wrestling for the past year ... Combines brawling with high-flying ... Improved his technical skills while competing in German and Austrian tournaments ... A four-time MAW champ ... Finishing moves are the moonsault and Kokomo stretch (Regal stretch) ... Resides in Milwaukee.

443 HARLEY LEWIS (6'3, 275, 5, 450) Faced Kazi Maetoi in a series of shootfights last spring ... He and Lupus comprise The Misfits ... A former NWA U.S. tag team champ ... Has also held tag titles in the Mid-Eastern Wrestling Federation, the International Wrestling Alliance, and New Jack City Wrestling ... From Philadelphia.

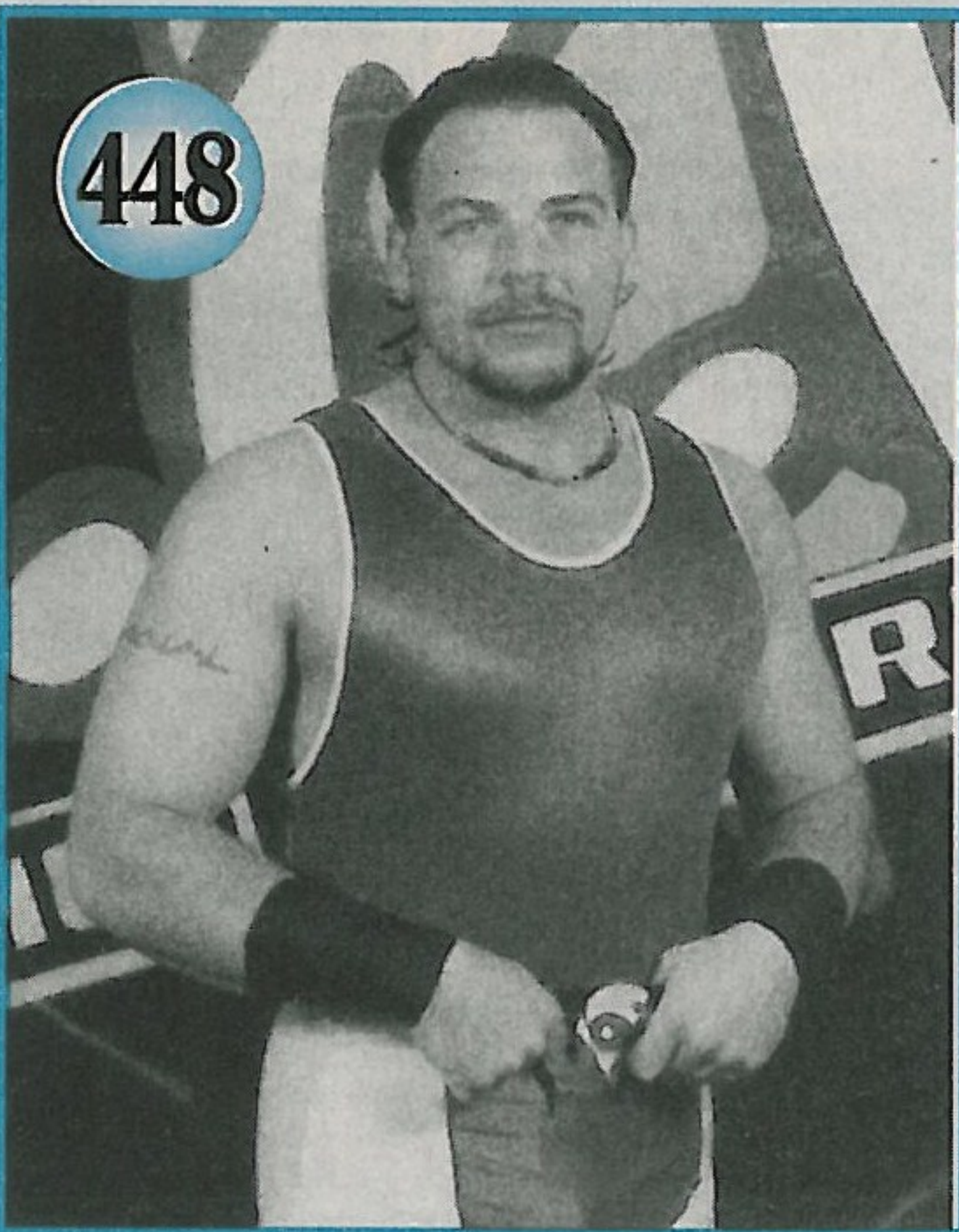
444 SKANK (5'9", 217, 4, NL) One of The Grungers with his tag team partner, Gutterboy ... They're former National Wrestling League tag champs ... Likes to break the rules and is an expert at distracting referees ... Likes using suplexes and hard kicks ... Wears torn-up jeans and a flannel shirt tied around his waist to the ring ... Has bounced back and forth between being a rulebreaker and fan favorite, but is currently disliked by NWL fans.

445 JOE RULES (5'11", 272, 6, 421) The proudest former number 500 of all-time ... Believes that he is the greatest professional wrestler of all-time ... Made a big impact this year in several East Coast federations, most notably the Nittany Wrestling Federation ... While managed several times by Patricia M. Steinman in 1999, Joe is usually accompanied by Luxurious Lynne ... Member of The Big Unit, but is morally against the other members' blatant attempts at innuendo ... Favorite hold is the camel clutch.



Joe Rules is a proud former number 500

448



Top MCW cruiserweight "Ramblin'" Rich

446 REDD DOG BEGNAUD (6'3", 280, 4, NL) Left the NWA Southwest in November to ply his trade in ECW, but returned in May ... Vacated the NWA Texas title earlier this year and is now trying to wrest it away from Kevin Northcutt ... Wrestled then-NWA champ Dan Severn to a double-countout on January 22 in Fort Worth.

447 MONGOL (6', 215, 15, NL) The Renegade Wrestling Alliance champion ... Won the title in a 20-man battle royal six months after entering the RWA ... The most dominant champ since Steve Hart ... Admired by fans and competitors alike, despite his unusual appearance and wrestling style ... The most experienced wrestler in the promotion.

448 RICH MYERS (5'10", 208, 9, NL) Gunning for the Maryland Championship Wrestling cruiserweight title ... Has held many independent tag titles with long-time partner Jimmy Jannetty ... Was a preliminary wrestler in the WWF during the mid-1990s ... Nicknamed "Ramblin'" Rich ... An ally of Earl the Pearl.

449 BIG SLAM (6'3", 440, 10, 468) Teamed with Chris Stephenson to defeat Cueball Carmichael and Jimmy Cicero for the International Pro Wrestling Alliance tag team title on January 9 in Chincoteague, Virginia ... Has also held the IPWA heavyweight belt ... Favorite move is the choke-slam ... Also competes in Global Championship Wrestling, the NWA, and other indies throughout the South and Northeast.

450 WILD CHILD (6', 220, 4, 473) Competes in the Heartland Wrestling Association, Southern Championship Wrestling, and NWA Mid-South ... Has held the Hardcore Wrestling Alliance U.S. title, along with the CWF cruiserweight and tag championships ... Began career at age 15 ... Favorite moves are the piledriver and a top-rope bulldog ... Hometown is Kings Mountain, North Carolina.

451 ROB RAMER (6'3", 265, 3, NL) Feuding with Don Basher and Billy Bart ... He and Basher have traded the Wild Championship Wrestling Outlaws title several times ... Defeated Basher in a "loser-dresses-like-a-woman" match ... In the return match, Basher kept his word, but Ramer ripped the dress off him ... Now Ramer is

involved in a brutal series of matches against Bart ... Finisher is the Texas cloverleaf.

452 PRESTON QUINN (6'3", 275, 3, NL) Wrestled either C.W. or Pat Anderson in the main event of many World Wrestling Organization cards ... Due to politics, he was relegated to mid-card bouts soon after ... Career turned around after he hired Count Grog as his manager ... He and Natrone Steele turned against Grog and joined WWO owner James Thurston as his associates ... Lost the WWO rumble title to Chilly Willy ... Signature maneuver is the piledriver.

453 CODY HAWK (6'2", 215, 1, NL) Teams regularly with Chip Fairway ... Has also teamed with Rick Morton, Chad Collyer, and Anthony McMurphy ... A two-time Heartland Wrestling Association tag champ ... Competes in Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky ... Finishers are the wipeout (power bomb) and riptide (snap DDT) ... Nicknamed "Surfer" ... Hometown is Malibu Beach, California.

454 EARL THE PEARL (5'10", 205, 5, NL) One of the most charismatic competitors in Maryland Championship Wrestling ... Has also competed for Alabama's UCW ... His biggest pinfall victory

was over Disco Inferno ... He and Stevie Richards won the MCW tag team title in November 1998 but lost the championship in February when Richards turned against Earl ... Still feuding with Richards.

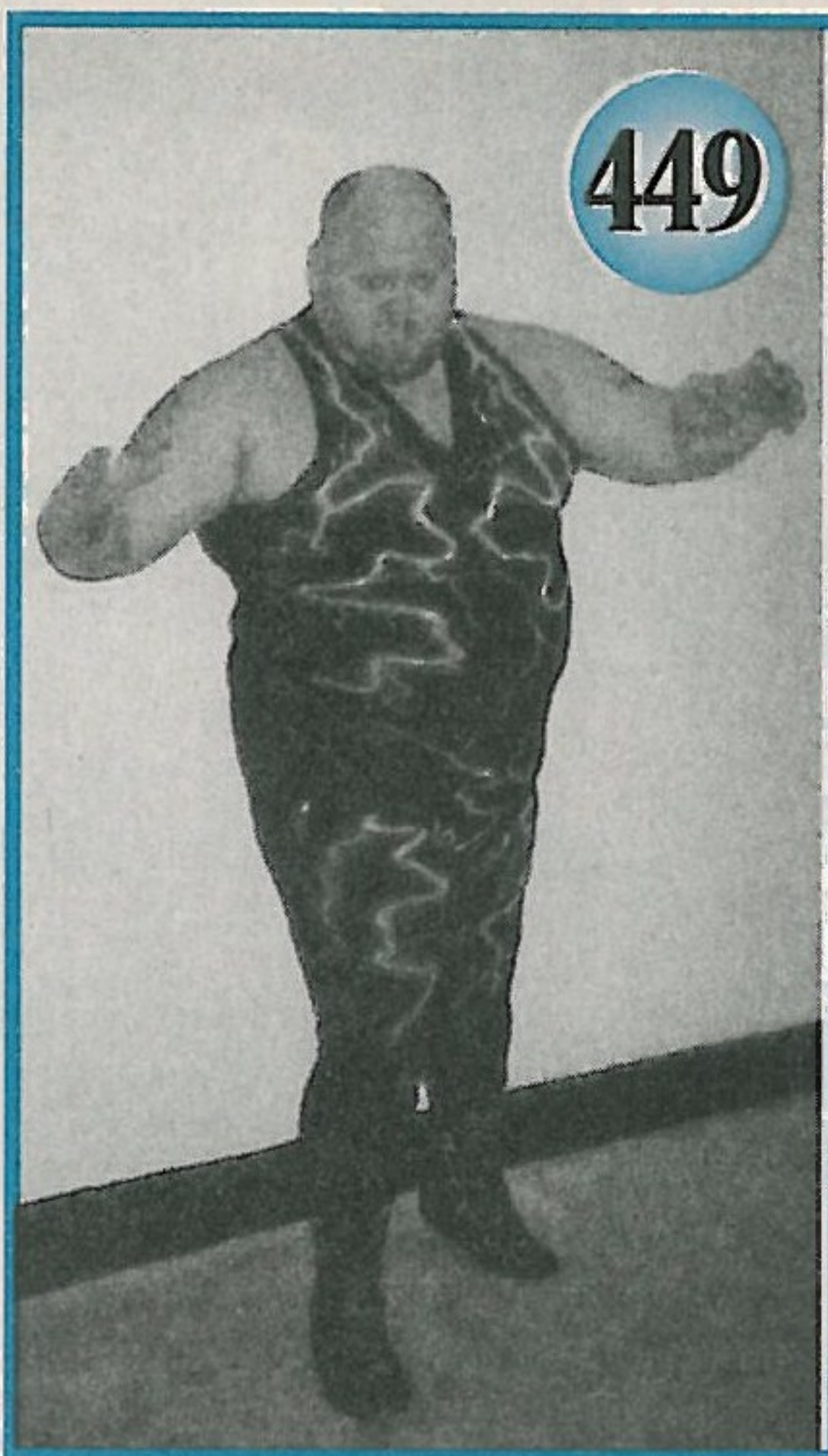
455 HELLRAISER GUTZ (6'4", 255, 1, NL) Along with Blood, he is a member of The Hellraisers, a top team in the Midwest ... They are battling Charlie Norris and Mitch Paradise ... Very agile ... Overcame a wrist injury in late-1998 ... Competes in Wrestle America 2000 ... Hometown is Calgary.

456 BRETT STRYKER (6', 260, 8, 369) After a year-long layoff, he returned to regular action in All-Star Championship Wrestling and the NAWF ... Tried to turn rulebreaker, but fans cheer him no matter what he does ... Finishing maneuver is the slobberknocker, a somersault kick in the corner ... Feuding with Adrian Lynch ... Once defeated Jerry Lynn for Wisconsin's Nu Age Wrestling mid-heavyweight championship ... Has also defeated The Lightning Kid (X-Pac).

457 ROB CARLIN (5'5", 140, 1, NL) Lost in his debut to fellow high-flyer Jonny Storm, but Storm had his feet on the ropes during the pinfall ... Carlin gained revenge by running Storm out of NWA U.K.-Hammerlock ... Finisher is a twisting splash ... Captured a bronze medal while representing Scotland at the European Amateur Wrestling Championships and won the 1992 British Open Tae Kwon Do Championship.

458 MAEL (6', 218, 1, NL) A rulebreaker in the Rhode Island Wrestling Alliance ... He and Davios formed The XCommunicados ... Defeated Dallas Austin with the impaler, his version of the Rock-bot-

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Big Slam looks an awful lot like Vader

tom, in his debut on March 19 ... Feuding with Suicidal Youth, Wolverine, and Danger Boy Alfredo ... Competes in Rhode Island and Massachusetts ... Now uses a dropkick off the top rope and a Frankenstein.

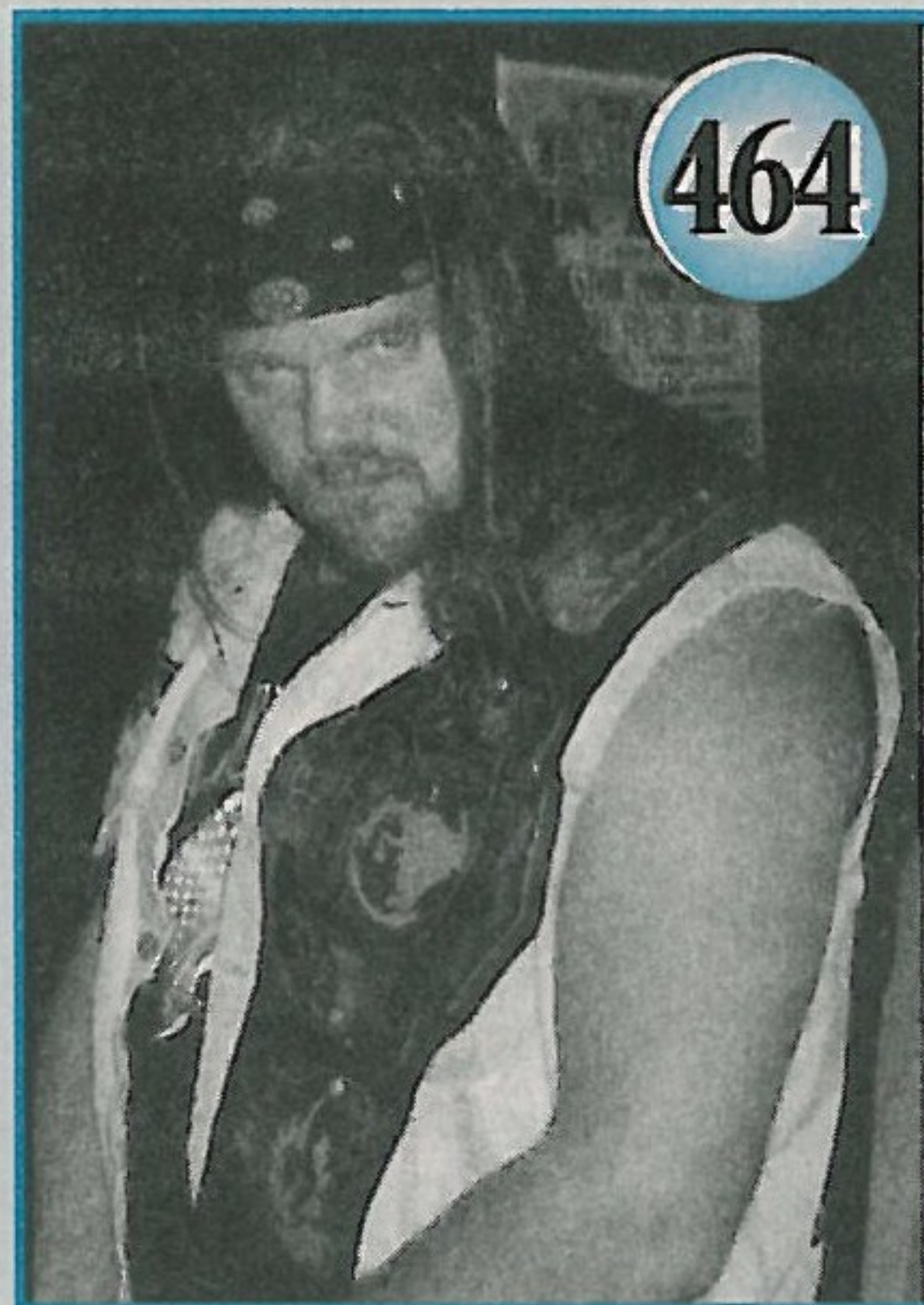
459 BRIAN IRELAND (5'10", 213, 3, NL) This cocky wrestler has been compared to Chris Benoit in terms of style ... The current Global Wrestling Alliance cruiserweight champion ... Uses mat skills, suplexes, and power bombs to gain victories ... Suffered knee, rib, and shoulder injuries ... Lost the GWA TV title to Elvis Elliott ... Nicknamed "Buzzsaw" ... Trained by Al Snow and D-Lo Brown.

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Earl the Pearl is an undiscovered gem in MCW

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NWA East champion Milwaukee Mauler

460 LADIES' CHOICE (6', 214, 1, NL) Won the NWA Extreme Canadian Championship Wrestling heavyweight and Pacific Northwest junior heavyweight titles in only his rookie year ... Ambushed The Honky Tonk Man in a premeditated attack ... Competes in British Columbia and Oregon ... Finishing move is the one-night stand, a frog splash ... Veronika Lake is his valet.

461 BILLY BART (5'10", 245, 5, 469) Feuded with Rob Ramer throughout the Midwest in cage, chain, and falls-count-anywhere matches ... Defeated Ramer convincingly in a steel cage match held in Ramer's hometown of Greensburg, Indiana ... Joined forces with his friend Johnnie Walker to beat The Wicked Jesters for the Wild Championship Wrestling Outlaws tag team title ... Has also held the tag title with Don Basher ... Finishing move is the running bulldog.

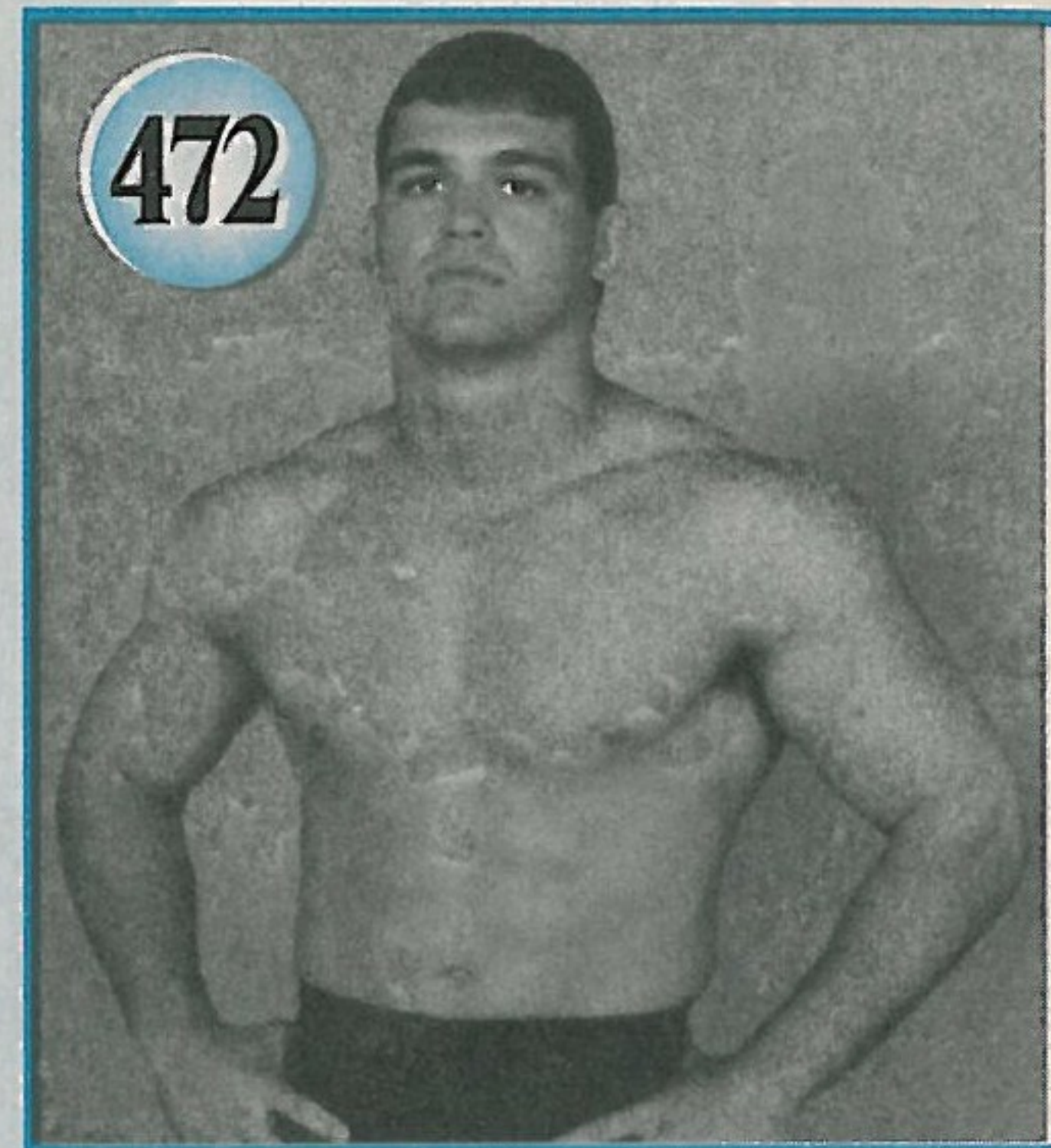
462 BOBBY CLANCY (5'5", 218, 8, NL) After engaging in a bitter feud with Otis Apollo, Clancy reunited with his former Canadian Lightning tag team partner and regained the vacant BCW tag team championship with him ... This former fan favorite turned his back on the fans and partner Chris Church late last year.

463 TARUS (6'4", 326, 3, NL) Considers himself a hardcore brawler ... Feuding with Born Again Brawler, but unsuccessful in his quest to capture the Christian Wrestling Alliance championship from him ... Holds CWA tag team title with Mortal Decay ... Enjoys brass knuckles competition ... The hangman's neckbreaker is his finisher ... Trained at Malenko's Wrestling Academy.

464 MILWAUKEE MAULER (6'2", 285, 3, NL) Won the NWA East title from Samu on August 7, 1998 ... Successfully defended against Big Poppa Gator ... Lost the belt to "Shocker" Sean Evans on September 11 ... Beat Rican Havoc for the New Breed triangle trophy ... Captured the New Breed U.S. title in a tournament ... Teams with T. Rantula and "Outlaw" Jack Lawrence ... Feuded with The Brooklyn Brawler over whether New York or Milwaukee was better.

465 BOB KELLER (6', 269, 5, 490) Popular with fans in Championship Pro Wrestling ... Known as The Rock 'n' Roll Kid ... Scored a surprise pin on The Honky Tonk Man this year ... Two-time former CPW heavyweight champion ... Now feuding with former best friend Shane Shadows ... Toughest opponents have included

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Collyer is chasing the HWA cruiserweight title

466 MAXX CRIMSON (6'3", 275, 7, NL) Claims to have been "banned from 36 states and 16 federations" ... One-fourth of The Intimidators ... Co-holder of the AAW tag team title with "Mean" Mark Mest ... Also competes in Steel City, among other promotions ... Tough brawler who can take punishment ... Fared well against The Cremator ... Nicknamed "Outlaw" ... Says he's from "anywhere he pleases."

467 ELON (6'3", 245, 1, NL) He and twin brother Nightmare comprise Heaven and Hell, previously known as Twin Turbo ... They are the AWA tag team champions ... Managed by The Priest ... Their finishing maneuver is the purgatory drop ... Their top challengers include The Rock 'n' Roll Express, The Bushwhackers, The Evil Clown Jesters, and The International Males ... Wrestled their debut match on March 28, 1998, against Disorderly Conduct.

468 COL CORRUPTION (6'3", 330, 7, NL) Along with Major Mayhem, a member of The Southern Mississippi Militia ... They won the Great Lakes tag team title from Ike Andrews and Trevor Adonis in 1998 ... Corruption held the heavyweight strap in 1997 ... Has wrestled Vader, Mick Foley, Davey Boy Smith, Owen Hart, and The Honky Tonk Man ... Trained by Mean Mike of Disorderly Conduct.

469 BULL HANSEN (6'4", 301, 3, NL) Feuding with Global Pro champion Steve Sharp ... Competes in Missouri, Mississippi, Arkansas, and Tennessee ... Sometimes wrestles as Nasty Bill ... Was a big fan of Abdullah the Butcher as a child ... Style resembles that of Stan Hansen, Bull's namesake ... The power bomb is his finisher ... A native of Waco, Texas.

470 MR. EXCELLENT (6'1", 220, 4, 441) A wrestler who prefers fast-paced matches and is proficient in both aerial and mat styles ... Usually wrestles



Mr. Excellent does well against bigger opponents

opponents much larger than himself ... Has held the Atlantic Coast Wrestling, Independent Pro, and New Dimension titles ... Once a co-holder of the SAC tag team championship ... Can finish off foes with submission holds, moonsaults, or pinning combinations ... Competes primarily in World Wrestling Promotions.

471 NIGHTMARE (6'3", 245, 1, NL) Along with twin brother Elon, he is a member of Heaven and Hell—formerly known as Twin Turbo ... They hold the AWA tag team title ... The Priest is their manager ... The purgatory drop is their finisher ... He and Elon once wrestled D-Lo Brown and Val Venis to a double-disqualification in Puerto Rico ... Their biggest victory was over The Bushwhackers in Fargo, North Dakota.

472 CHAD COLLYER (5'9", 208, 1, NL) Feuding with Heartland Wrestling Association cruiserweight champion Shark Boy ... Also competes in Michinoku Pro ... Trained by Dean Malenko ... A two-time NCAA qualifier in wrestling ... Has wrestled in ECW ... A native of Liberty, Indiana.

473 MOHAMMED KANE (6'6", 327, 11, 482) He is the leader of the Nation of Kane, which includes Combat Kid and manager Spike Callahan ... Claims to be the toughest man in Championship Pro Wrestling, but Switchblade has been quick to dispute that claim ... Former CPW Southeastern and CPW tag team champion (with Combat Kid) ... Uses his size and strength to intimidate other wrestlers ... Has feuded with Bob Keller and Major Mayhem in CPW during the last year ... Wears a black glove into the ring, which many opponents claim is loaded with a foreign object.

474 STEVEN THE SWEET BOY (5'11", 182, 3, NL) The Northern Championship Wrestling TV champion ... Became a major player after he signed with manager Ben the King ... Left his good guy image behind ... Dominated his feud with new crowd favorite Maxx Fury ... Planning to move into the Inter-city title division next year ... Calls himself "The Sexual Dynamo."

475 PIRANAH (6'3", 256, 2, NL) He and Jackal comprise Access Denied ... The powerhouse of the team ... Under tutelage of veteran manager Floyd Broffman, they won the Quebec tag team title three times ... Considered a future Northern Championship Wrestling star ... Jackal and Broffman are reluctant to let Piranah forge a singles career ... Very popular despite his dirty tactics ... Also competes in Ontario's AWF.



Jason the Terrible is feared by all in Cutting Edge Wrestling

476 STAN SIERRA (6'5", 265, 1, NL) He and Stevie Phillips are the Hardcore Championship Wrestling tag team titleholders ... Feuding with Vic Anderson ... Suffered a knee injury in December 1998, but returned bigger and stronger in February ... Mixes science with power ... The Sierra drop is his finishing move ... Managed by Paul Schon ... Competes throughout the South and Appalachians.

477 TOMBSTONE (6', 285, 7, 474) Remains Continental Wrestling Federation champion although the CWF became NWA Mid-South in October 1998 ... Has gone undefeated this year ... Uses an armbar-legsweep DDT he calls the embalmer as his finisher ... Teams with Doug Gilbert ... Suffered a severe ankle injury but was not sidelined ... Donned a mask and chest protector that he now uses as weapons.

478 RUSTY BROOKS (6', 325, 17, NL) Held the Future of Wrestling and IPWA titles this year ... Feuding with Hack Myers, Pat McGuire, Dennis Allen, and J.R. James ... His finishers are the spinning toe-hold and the Brooks bomb, a reverse splash off the top rope ... Wrestled Hulk Hogan while in the WWF during the '80s ... Not ranked in the "500" since 1994.

479 DAVID YOUNG (5'10", 230, 10, NL) Known as "The Sex Pistol" ... Feuding with NWA Georgia junior heavyweight champion Air Paris ... Aligned himself with Bart Sawyer and is helping him in his feud against Brickhouse Brown ... Finisher is the spinebuster ... Expected to challenge for the NWA Georgia heavyweight title in the near future.

480 KEVIN ACRES (6', 195, 10, NL) Competes in Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, and Virginia, primarily for the Cumberland Wrestling Council and Volunteer Championship Wrestling ... Recently beat the 420-pound Wild Samoan in a chain match ... Favorite move is a top-rope bulldog ... Managed by Lovely Jennifer ... The only competitor to hold all four CWC championships: heavyweight, junior heavyweight, tag team, and TV titles.

481 JESSE JAMES STONE (6', 285, 17, NL) Very aggressive rulebreaker ... Won't hesitate to subdue his opponent with his bullrope ... Past injuries, including a broken collarbone and a separated shoulder, still

cause him problems ... Has held the North American Wrestling Alliance tag team title with his brother, John, since November 27, 1998 ... They are known as The Texas Outlaws ... Likes to use the brainbuster as a finisher.

482 TORCH (5'9", 178, 3, NL) Took on Tony Kozina for the NWA Pacific Northwest junior heavyweight title in a series of ladder matches in Extreme Canadian Championship Wrestling ... Feuding with ex-partner Strife ... Competes in British Columbia, Oregon, and California ... Finishers include the diving headbutt and quebrada moonsault ... Suffered a pinched nerve in his neck, a damaged rotator cuff, and stretched ligaments.

483 JIMMY WOODSTOCK (6', 320, 1, NL) Holds the Thunder Mountain tag team title with Red River Jack ... Competes primarily in West Virginia ... Uses the punch of love, his version of the heart punch ... Managed by Coach Alfred Atlas ... Big, tough brawler with some technical skills ... Nicknamed "The Love Child" ... Appropriately, he bills himself from Woodstock, New York.

484 BOBBY HAYES (6', 240, 8, NL) Competes in the South and along the East Coast ... Combines hardcore aggression with a high-flying attack ... Has wrestled in WCW and the WWF ... Signature move is the superkick ... Hometown is Nashville, Tennessee.

485 RICK SILVER (5'9", 202, 4, NL) "Sterling" is the head of The Big Unit, a group that also includes Joe Rules and Dave Desire as members ... Loudmouthed native of Keys Hunt, Florida, won the Jersey All-Pro Wrestling tag team title with Desire in 1999 ... Also teams occasionally with Don Montoya and Reckless Youth ... Had a classic best-of-three-falls match with Brandon K in the Nittany Wrestling Federation ... Splits time between the ring and his career as a lawyer.

486 KANE ATOMS (5'10", 265, 9, NL) Has held the North American Wrestling Alliance title twice, as well as the Eastern States belt ... Along with brother Abel, held the NAWA tag championship ... They may challenge current NAWA tag titleholders Randy Sledge and Kenny Varner, but must go through Lethal Injection first ... Finishing maneuver is the Alabama jam.

487 SWEET DREAMZ (6'1", 240, 4, NL) Has held the CWF, Omega, and UWA heavyweight titles ... A former CWF TV champ as well ... Competes in the Mid-Atlantic area ... Finishing moves include the frog splash and 450 splash ... Claims to hail from Dreamland, North Carolina ... Last ranked in the 1997 "PW 500."

488 STEVE STAMPEDE (6'6", 255, 4, NL) The Southern Carolina Wrestling champion ... Competes in South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, Virginia, and Tennessee ... Finishing move is the six-shooter ... A roughhouse brawler ... Blew out his knee on New Year's Day and returned to action on April 16.

489 BAD BUBBA BREWER (6'3", 315, 1, NL) Defeated Black Cat for his third Allied Powers Wrestling Federation title ... Feuding with Jimmy Cicero and Sheik Abdul Hussein ... Angry at APWF President Chris Lash ... Has held the APWF tag championship ... Finisher is the keg tapper, a move in which he uses a clawhold to lift opponents, then slams them on the mat ... Founder of The Brew Crew, which counts G-Moe and Diceman as members.

490 ABLE ATOMS (5'10", 255, 2, NL) Held the North American Wrestling Alliance tag team title with his brother, Kane ... They may make another run for the NAWA tag title held by Randy Sledge and Kenny Varner ... Lethal Injection would be their first test ... Finisher is the disabler.

491 SWITCHBLADE (6'2", 257, 6, NL) Once the most hated man in CPW, now one of the most popular ... Currently holds one-half of the CPW tag team title with partner Doc Hollywood ... Long-running feud with Shane Shadows is far from over, and 'Blade has demanded a match against Shadows under any stipulations ... Rugged competitor who has tattoos all over his body ... The tougher the match, the more Switchblade likes it ... Not afraid to shed some blood in the ring ... Photo of 'Blade and Shadows appeared in Newsweek last year.

492 THE CANADIAN BAD BOY (5'10", 332, 5, NL) Went on hiatus for much of 1998 and dropped 50 pounds ... Returned on November 22 and began a three-month reign as Cleveland All-Pro North American champion ... Weight loss has increased his speed and mobility, in addition to his winning percentage ... Added an impressive spin kick to his repertoire ... Tends to dance and clown around, which costs him ... Finisher is the Alberta clipper, a top-rope clothesline.

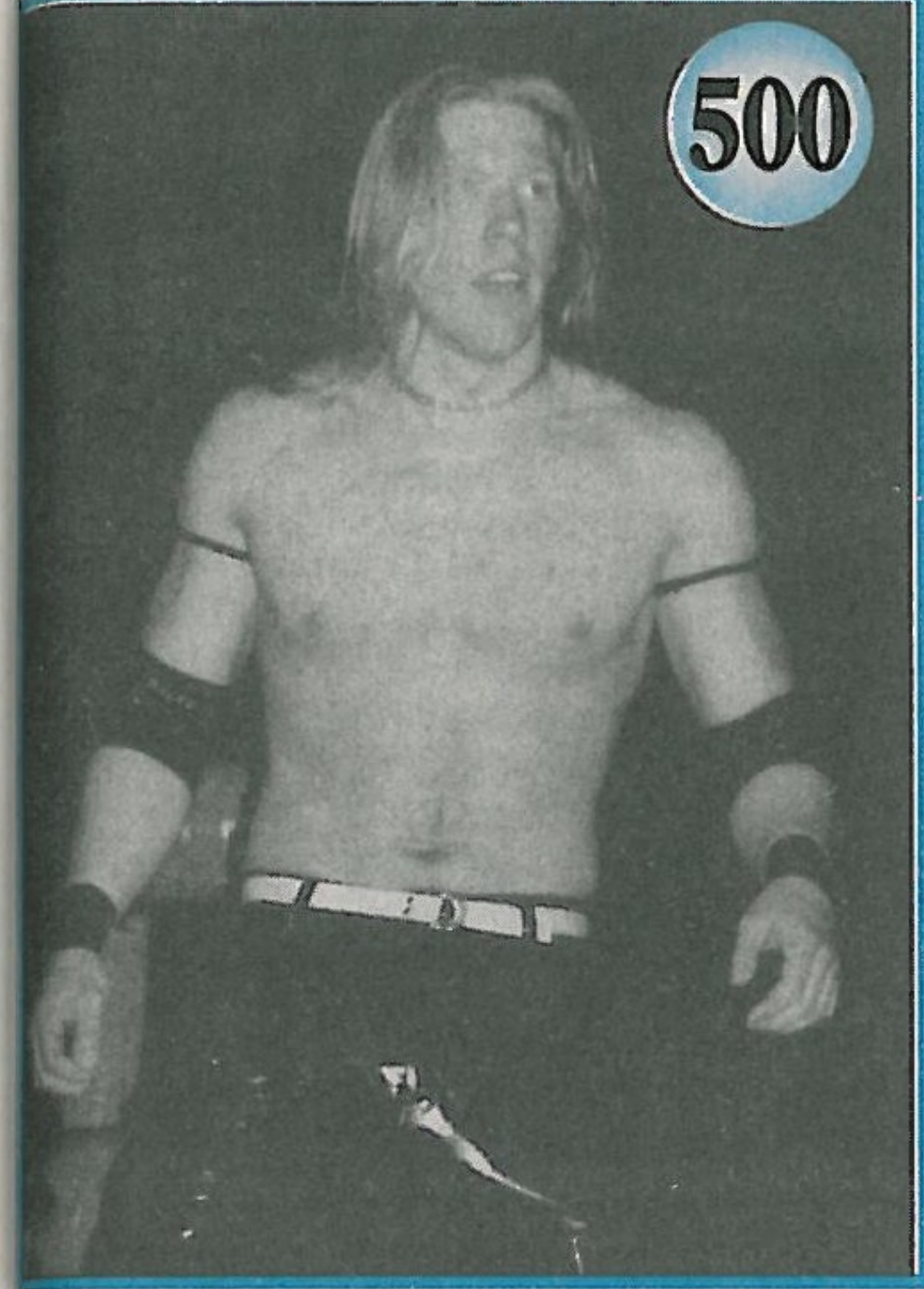
493 JACKAL (5'11", 177, 2, NL) Along with Piranah, a member of Access Denied ... Considered the brains of the team ... Manager Floyd Broffman played an instrumental role, mentally and physically, in Access Denied winning the Quebec tag team title three times ... Discouraging Piranah from entering singles competition ... Claims to be the best in Northern Championship Wrestling ... Also wrestles for the AWF in Ontario.

494 JASON THE TERRIBLE (5'10", 273, 4, NL) Feuding violently with Vince Austin and Bad Boy Batty Bat ... Probably the most feared man in Cutting Edge Wrestling ... Competes in Newfoundland ... Finishers include the choke-slam, Death Valley driver, and power bomb ... Managed by psychotherapist Dr. Romulus Killjoy ... Injuries include concussions, severed tendons in his right hand, blown-out knees, and barbed-wire lacerations.

495 THE CREMATOR (6'6", 300, 5, NL) A former TWWA champion ... Feuding with Johnny Greco ... The most hated enemy of The Intimidators, led by Mark and Troy Mest ... Competes throughout the Northeast ... Finisher is the choke-slam ... Claims to be from "man's deepest fears."



James knows the proper way to execute his Proper-plex



A Goodnight ends with a victory

496 BIG SEXXY BUBBA (6', 400, 3, NL) Formed The Big Bubba Destruction Company with The New Age Assassins ... Their goal is to eliminate Kenny Valentine and take over World Alliance Wrestling ... Has held the WAW title on three occasions ... Competes in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, and Mississippi ... The splash is his signature move ... Managed by Sapphire ... From the Ozark Mountains.

497 JUGGERNAUT (6'5", 354, 1, NL) He and Biohazard comprise Toxic Insanity ... They are the NWA Canadian tag team champions ... Toxic Insanity also holds the NWA Extreme Canadian Championship Wrestling tag title ... Based in British Columbia ... Finishing moves include the meat blender (a reverse suplex into a spinning powerslam) and the juggersault (moonsault) ... Suffered a twisted knee, bone chips in elbow, and three concussions.

498 DARK JUSTICE (6'2", 221, 1, NL) Formed Genocide with Nuclear Nightmare ... He and "Nuke" won the World Wrestling Organization tag team title in November of last year and the Volunteer Championship Wrestling title in May ... Next to heavyweight champ Shane Helms, he might be the best pure athlete in the WWO ... Upset Natrone Steele on March 14, 1998, in Newport, North Carolina, to win his debut.

499 JAMES PROPER (6'1", 255, 5, NL) The Grande Wrestling Alliance champion ... Has also held the GWA Intercontinental title ... Defeated Atlas Rivera, Bob Steele, Mad Dog Cujo, and Chris Krueger ... Was the AAW Pennsylvania State champion ... Incorporates the Japanese style into his attack ... Managed by H.W. Starr ... Signature move is the Proper-plex.

500 VINCENT GOODNIGHT (6'3", 225, 2, NL) Won the World Extreme Wrestling tag team title ... Entered Pennsylvania Championship Wrestling and formed a team with J.J. Johnston ... Wants a shot at PCW commonwealth champion Mr. Ooh La La ... Toughest foe has been Lance (Simon) Diamond ... Also wrestles for the ECWA ... Pinned Manslaughter in his debut ... A native of Lincoln, Nebraska.

FAREWELL TO THE 500

The list of active wrestlers is always changing. Since last year's "PW 500" came out, some wrestlers have migrated to different federations or changed their names. Others are now injured, inactive, or retired. Still others have been dropped from this year's survey for other reasons.

Keys are as follows: (D) deceased; (DL) disabled list; (I) inactive; (NC) name change; (NR) not rated; (R) retired.

911 (NR)
Abdullah the Butcher (NR)
Abismo Negro (NR)
ACCW Viper (NR)
Perro Aguayo Jr. (NR)
Perro Aguayo Sr. (NR)
Aguila/Papi Chulo (NR)
Alexander the Magnificent (NR)
Jackie Anderson (NR)
Brian Anthony (NR)
Kenny Arden (NR)
Brad Armstrong (NR)
Paul Atlas (NR)
Giant Baba (D)
B.C. (NR)
Big Titan (NR)
Black Eagle (NR)
Tully Blanchard (NR)
Romeo Bliss (NR)
Blue Demon Jr. (NR)
Andres Borges (NR)
Brick Bronsky (NR)
Brickhouse Brown (NR)
Bushwhacker Butch (NR)
Bushwhacker Luke (NR)
Chris Cannon (NR)
Mark Canterbury (DL)
Primo Carnera III (NR)
Chainz (NR)
Chris Chavis (NR)
Bam Bam Coalson (NR)
J.T. Coleminer (NR)
Carlos Colon (NR)
Adam Copeland (NC)
Calavera Cortez (NR)
Crazy Joe (NR)
Damien (NR)
Barry Darsow (NR)
Doug Deeds (NR)
Larry Destiny (NR)
Tony DeVito (NR)
John Diamond (NR)
Discovery (NR)
Hacksaw Duggan (NR)
Bobby Eaton (NR)
Eight-Ball (NC)
Mike Enos (NR)
Doug Flex (NR)
Franky the Mobster (NR)
Doug Furnas (I)
Brian Fury (NR)
The Giant (NC)
The Giant Warrior (NR)
Robert Gibson (NR)
Phineas Godwinn (NC)
Eddie Golden (NR)
Terry Golden (NR)
Tony Golden (NR)
Ray Gonzales (NR)
Herbert Gonzalez (NR)
Vic Grimes (NC/NR)
Eddy Guerrero (DL)
Scott Hall (I)
Owen Hart (D)
Shinya Hashimoto (I/DL)
Headbanger Mosh (NC)
Headbanger Thrasher (DL)

Headhunter I (NR)
Headhunter II (NR)
Junji Hirata (NR)
Jihad Hussein (NR)
J.C. Ice (NR)
Takashi Iizuka (NR)
Invader II (NR)
Invader III (NR)
Italian Stallion (NR)
Jamie Jackson (NR)
J.B. Jammer (NR)
Jimi V (NR)
Ahmed Johnson (I)
Maddog Johnson (NR)
Eight-Ball Jones (NR)
Kama (NC)
Kuame Kamoze (NR)
Mohammed Kane (NR)
Wing Kanemura (NR)
Tiger Khan (NR)
Kid U.S.A. (NR)
Rex King (NR)
Kevin Kirby (NR)
Crusher Kline (NR)
Chris Krueger (NR)
Buddy Landell (NR)
Latin Lover (NR)
Stan Lee (NR)
Lizmark Jr. (NR)
Paul Lloyd (NR)
Pete Lothario (NR)
Jeff Lovin (NR)
Lex Luger (DL)
Mabel (NC)
Alexis Machine (NR)
Dutch Mantel (NR)
Rick Martel (I)
Matthew Masters III (NR)
Matador (NR)
Steve McMichael (I)
Marc Mero (R)
Chris Michaels (NR)
Shawn Michaels (NR)
Terri Middoux (NR)
Mr. Wrestling III (NR)
Pirata Morgan (NR)
Rick Morton (NR)
Ralph Mosca (NR)
Jim Neidhart (NR)
Nightbreed (NR)
Osamu Nishimura (NR)
Erin O'Grady (NC/NR)
Mad Dog O'Malley (NR)
Pantera (NR)
Dave Patera (NR)
Pentagon (NR)
Miguel Perez Jr. (NR)
Pit Bull I (NR)
Pit Bull II (NR)
Sgt. Craig Pittman (NR)
Steve Podunavac (NR)
Madman Pondo (NR)
Chris Powers (NR)
Jim Powers (NR)
Prince of Africa (NR)
D.C. Queen (NR)
Raiden (NR)

Ratboy (NR)
Johnny Raynor (NR)
Dave Renegade (NR)
The Renegade (D)
Reese (NR)
Tommy Rich (NR)
Justin Richards (NR)
Jake Roberts (NR)
John Rock (NR)
Rockin' Randy (NR)
Rockin' Rico (NR)
Pete Rukk (NR)
Robert Roma (NR)
Jacques Rougeau (NR)
Gary Royal (NR)
Dustin Runnels (NC)
Mustafa Saed (NR)
Salsero (NR)
The Sandman (NC)
Tito Santana (NR)
Richie Santiago (NR)
Dino Scarlo (NR)
Scorpion (NR)
Bobby Sechrist (NR)
Skull (NC/NR)
Davey Boy Smith (DL)
Jay Smooth (NR)
George South (NR)
Steve Southern (NR)
Bob Starr (NR)
Ron Starr (NR)
Chicky Starr (NR)
Vic Steamboat (NR)
Bob Steele (NR)
George Steele (NR)
Chris Steelheart (NR)
Scott Sterling (NR)
Chris Stevenson (NR)
J.L. Storm (NR)
Streak (NR)
Jack Stud (NR)
Super Boy (NR)
Super Calo (NR)
Super Parka (NR)
Johnny Swinger (NR)
Syl the Sadist (NR)
Nobuhiko Takada (NR)
Dave Taylor (NR)
Robert Thompson (NR)
Thrillbilly (NR)
Timber the Lumberjack (NR)
Tornado (NR)
Tre (NR)
Ultimo Dragon (R)
Universo Dos Mil (NR)
Savio Vega (DL)
Venom (NC)
Villano IV (I)
Danie Vogues (NR)
Byron Walker (NR)
Mikey Whipwreck (DL/I)
Doug Williams (NR)
Will o' the Wisp (NC)
Woody Woodchuck (NR)
Alex Wright (I)
Yuji Yasuraoka (NR)